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COMMENT OF THE DAY

ILLUMINATING

THE Department of Economics and Political Science of the University of Hongkong, who, with the assistance of the Social Welfare Office have shed further light on the plight of the Colony's refugee population are to be congratulated. And thanks are especially due to the University students who, we understand, cancelled their summer holidays and visits to families abroad to take part in the work.

Their analysis of the problem, made public on Friday evening in a lecture by Mrs M. C. David, is most illuminating, and it is hoped that a more detailed report of their findings will be available to the public before long.

TWO-FOLD

THE purpose of the survey was two-fold. Firstly, it sought to determine the most pressing needs of the residents of three resettlement estates—Shek Kip Mei, Li Cheng Uk and Tai Hang Tung. The second objective was to obtain a general picture of the demographic, economic and social structure of resettlement.

Patience work has revealed the most pressing need of those questioned to be money, and the further conclusion of the survey team was that the number of families reached by the Colony's social welfare agencies was "very small indeed". Many were not aware of the existing machinery for obtaining relief, and the team undoubtedly met with the not unnatural reluctance to disclose financial resources from some as well as the possible repugnance to accepting charity.

MORE AID

BUT the overall picture, according to Mrs David, showed that "the field is wide open for a concerted attack... so that there may be freedom from want, ignorance and idleness without which no society can hope to flourish."

The survey additionally reveals that resettlement alone is not a complete remedy for the situation. It suggests that more post-housing assistance must be provided. If more relief becomes necessary there is little doubt that Government will dip generously into its coffers as it has done in the past.

NECESSARY

GOVERNMENT'S contribution to alleviation of the plight of the estimated 700,000 Chinese refugees now in our midst accounts for a substantial percentage of the Colony's annual budget. The part played by the Social Welfare Office alone is too well known to require further emphasis—relief dispensed in time of disasters such as squatter area fires being but one of the practical hallmarks of the functioning. Then there are the multi-storey resettlement blocks, visited by the survey team, which Government has erected to rehouse fire victims and which are a monument to the Colony's beneficence.

Outside aid with no strings attached will almost certainly become necessary as new resettlement areas are developed. Should increased refugee aid from outside sources be forthcoming there can be little doubt that the data collected by the Hongkong survey team during the summer will be of incalculable value to those who are eventually given the task of administering the funds.

SECRET RADAR BASE TRACKS SOVIET ICBMs

Magazine's Disclosure On Turkish Tapping Centre

Washington, Oct. 20.

The United States for more than two years has been "tapping" Russia's missile secrets with powerful long-range radar and other equipment based in Turkey, the magazine "Aviation Week" claimed today.

The magazine declared: "Operation of this equipment, well known to the Soviet Union, is considered by diplomatic sources as one of the reasons for the current heavy Russian military and political pressure on Turkey."

MARRIAGE OFFER

DUCHESS: NO COMMENT

London, Oct. 20.

The Duchess of Kent, aunt of the Queen, refused to confirm or deny today British press reports that she had rejected "in a few seconds" a marriage proposal from King Olaf of Norway when he was Crown Prince.

Kington Palace, the Duchess's residence, remained silent throughout the day and there was no reply to repeated telephone calls from newsmen. The "Sunday Pictorial" reported today that Crown Prince Olaf had proposed to the Duchess in a roundabout way through King Frederick of Denmark, who conveyed the request to the Queen Mother.

The Duchess, notified by the Queen Mother, rejected the offer in a few seconds and informed the Prince through the same channels that she did not wish to marry, the paper said. It said the Norwegian Court was "bitterly disappointed" by the Duchess's decision.

Buckingham Palace declined to comment on a question which strictly concerned the Duchess.—France-Press.

MUTINY ALLEGED

Georgetown, Oct. 20.

Nineteen Dutch crew members of the Liberian cargo ship Oceanic were arrested by the British police on a charge of attempted mutiny when the ship arrived in Jamaica today, it was learned.

The crewmen were accused of threatening to kill the ship's captain, Earl Chalk, an American citizen, and another ship officer, while the Oceanic was in the middle of the Atlantic. Reasons for the attempted mutiny and the manner in which it was prevented, were not known.

The crewmen were to be repatriated to the Netherlands by the British authorities.—France-Press.

Exhaust Fumes Can Make Driver 'Drunk'

Paris, Oct. 20.

Carbon monoxide from a motor car's engine can make the driver "drunk" and even affect policemen on traffic duty in busy streets, according to a Paris chemist.

M. Truffert, chemist at the Paris police prefecture, told a meeting of experts on air pollution here yesterday that tests made on drivers frequently showed a degree of carbon monoxide in

The American missile intelligence system had radar equipment with a range up to 1,000 miles and was operated by civilians near the Black Sea resort of Samsun in Turkey, the magazine stated.

"Aviation Week" said: "Fairly complete data on the Red missile test programme shows a significant shift from the irregular pattern of experimental firings to a regular five-month pattern, indicating a change to production line sample test firings during 1956."

4,000 Miles Range

Detection of the longer range intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) test programme along the track towards the Pacific started last year, the magazine reported. Various shots included firings up to 4,000 miles in range.

It said that radar could detect and track missile firings from the main Russian missile test centre at Krasny Ust, about 1,000 miles away. It said a similar radar set was used at Laredo, Texas, to track U.S. missiles fired at the White Sands, New Mexico, proving ground.

According to the magazine both of these radars "are being modified to increase their range to 3,000 miles at extreme altitudes as indicated by USAF (Air Force) Chief of Staff Gen. Thomas D. White in a recent speech."

Development Stage

Aviation Week said "It is believed the Russians are using the same launching equipment for their Sputnik satellites as for their ICBMs."

The magazine said present results indicated the Russian ICBM programme was still in a development test stage, with production and operational capability two or three years away. In an editorial, Mr Robert Hotz, the magazine's editor, said America's radar observation was a secret from no one but the vast bulk of the American people.

A Defence Department spokesman refused to comment on the article.—Reuter & United Press.

Waldorf Laid A Pseudo Red Carpet

For The Queen

New York, Oct. 20.

The Waldorf-Astoria Hotel decided today to roll out a bona fide red carpet for the Queen in place of a painted facade that refused to dry.

The hotel, which will be the Queen's headquarters tomorrow during her one-day stay in New York, painted a special red carpet on the sidewalk last Monday outside the Towers' entrance on East 50th St.

The paint was a special chemical substance which was sprayed on and scheduled to dry in 14 hours, leaving a spongy, rug-like surface. It formed a red strip 12 feet wide with two black border strips each 9 feet wide.

When the paint refused to dry on schedule workmen placed massive boards over it to keep off pedestrians. When workers thought the "rug" had dried, they prised loose the boards—with considerable difficulty—and found the paint still sticky.

Well-known Waldorf Towers guests, including Elsa Maxwell, refused to step around the "wet paint" signs and tracked the Hotel lobby with red.

Barriers

Papers and dirt stuck to the "carpet," already marred by footprints.

Prominent guests were told to use a side entrance via a doorway. Some of them balked, so the Waldorf dropped voluntary measures and put up three foot-high wooden barriers around the rug on Thursday.

The doorman, Al Connelly, a native of County Cork in Ireland, looked at the painted rug philosophically today and observed:

"It's still sticky. Probably stay that way."

Asked if the Queen's shoes might stick to the "carpet," if she used it, he shrugged his shoulders and nodded.

It was this thought that apparently reached officialdom at the Hotel. After hurried consultations and one more look at the red and black fiasco, they announced that a real rug would be placed over the paint.—United Press.

Now Turn To Page Three For Another Red Carpet Story

Small Fire

A small fire broke out at a shop at No. 12, Square Street, ground floor, near Hollywood Road, shortly before 10 o'clock this morning. It was put out by the neighbours before the arrival of a fire engine.

MOTHER AND SEVEN CHILDREN DIE IN FIRE

New York, Oct. 20.

Fire destroyed a ramshackle frame house today in Balpre, Ohio, killing a mother and seven of her children.

Neighbours stood by helplessly—waiting for firemen—listening to the screams of the youngsters as they succumbed slowly to smoke and heat exhaustion in their second floor apartment.

Killed were Mrs Vivian Alenmiller, 39, and seven of her nine children, Linda Diana, 14, Sheila Rae, 11, Michael Wayne, 8, Mona Lisa, 6, David Louis, 3, Daniel Gail, 2, and Rita Jo, 3 months.

Les Snider, 16, the oldest child, was in Marietta, Ohio, Hospital at the time—confined to bed with polio.

The father, Lloyd, 39, and another son, Ronald, 12, had left the house to drive the children's uncle to his home in Parkersburg, West Virginia, just across the Ohio River.

Sobbed Hysterically

Mrs Russell Kerns, whose bedroom faced Mrs Snider's room, said she was awakened by the flames.

"I heard the children screaming," she said.

The woman woke her husband and sent him down the street to a telephone. Neither the Sniders nor the Kerns have a phone.

Snider, who had stopped at a dinner with his son, Ronald, after dropping off his brother, returned home just as volunteer firemen arrived, at about 4 a.m.

Police had to physically restrain him from trying to get into the building while he hysterically sobbed: "My wife... my children."

The Shambles

Mrs Snider was found near the kitchen stove, her body wrapped around a pipe. Linda, the oldest girl, had thrown herself over Rita Jo in a futile effort to save the infant's life. They were found entangled in death.

Another child was found lying in a corner. All were dead when firemen reached them.

Somebody called a glassworker at Corning Glass Co. in nearby Parkersburg, stood still as he viewed the shambles.

"The boys don't even have a suit to wear to the funeral," he said.—United Press.

New British Wonder 'Hoverliner'

San Francisco, Oct. 20.

Plans for a 1,500-mile an hour jet airliner, which will take off and land like a helicopter, are now taking shape on the drawing boards of the British Aircraft Industry, a leading English aviation expert said yesterday.

Edward Bowyer, director of the Society of British Aircraft Constructors, said the industry which gave the world its first commercial jet transport, expects to have the first superjetliner in the air within 10 or 12 years.

He said seven major British plane builders, plus the Royal Aircraft Establishment—a government research organization—were currently engaged in basic research on the plane which may provide the next revolution in commercial air travel.—United Press.

Iraqi Note Issued

ASSURANCE ON TURKEY

Baghdad, Oct. 20.

The Iraqi Government said tonight in an official statement it was "confident" that Turkey had no aggressive intentions towards "sisterly Syria."

The statement said: "Iraq which is linked with its friendly neighbour Turkey with cordiality and good neighbourliness, is confident that it bears no aggressive intentions or aims against sisterly Syria, whom Iraq desires to see enjoying peace and stability at all times. Iraq greatly desires the preservation of Syria's independence and sovereignty."—Reuter.

Saud's Offer

Beirut, Oct. 20.

King Saud of Saudi Arabia has offered his good offices to Turkey and Syria to bring about a relaxation of tension between the two countries, the Lebanese newspaper "L'Orient" said today.

The newspaper said that President Bayar of Turkey had received favourably the King's offer, and left it to the King to judge the situation.

L'Orient said that King Saud would now turn his attention to Syria, where there were certain signs that the Syrian Government would also like to reduce tension.—France-Press.

Commandos Sail

Malta, Oct. 20.

Some 600 Royal Marine Commandos sailed today to take part in amphibious exercises on the southern tip of Sardinia later this week.

A tank regiment, already embarked at sea, the Royal Navy and the RAF also were to take part.—United Press.

Best Tips For Today's Valley Races

By "Rapior" RACE 1

Carolyn
Gay Sire
French Bean
Outsider:—Tumbleweed

RACE 2

Gambetta
Jel Chl
Tiger Shark
Outsider:—Eureka

RACE 3

Invincible
Dutch Courage
Tamerlane
Outsider:—Air Power

RACE 4

Blue Train
Angel's Pearl
Million Bonus
Outsider:—Angela

RACE 5

Golden Nugget
Cordon Rouge
Glorious
Outsider:—Cheerful

RACE 6

Belinda
Huntington
Mascot
Outsider:—Oscar Prize

RACE 7

Tara
As You Wish
Golden City
Outsider:—Tara

RACE 8

King Kong
Attractive Power
Hawallan Moon
Outsider:—Every Day

RACE 9

Bashful Beauty II
Permanent View
City of Victoria
Outsider:—Skylon

RACE 10

Our Pride
Hylamton
Outsider:—Gighn

RACE 11

Jake
Long Cue
Hollon
Outsider:—Balkan Monarch

RACE 12

Welcome
Brilliance
Fenchurch
Outsider:—Beautiful Lie

By "The Turf" RACE 1

Carolyn
Tell-Me-More
French Bean
Outsider:—Gay Sire

RACE 2

Tiger Shark
Eureka
Gambetta
Outsider:—Jel Chl

RACE 3

Marianne
Sultan
Invincible
Outsider:—Dutch Courage

RACE 4

Angela
Blue Train
Straight Runner
Outsider:—Angel's Pearl

RACE 5

Golden Nugget
Cordon Rouge
Glorious
Outsider:—Cheerful

RACE 6

Belinda
Oscar Prize
Sea Raider
Outsider:—Rose

RACE 7

As You Wish
Golden City
Scania
Outsider:—Tara

RACE 8

King Kong
Hawallan Moon
Attractive Power
Outsider:—Easy Money

RACE 9

Permanent View
Bashful Beauty II
Nashua
Outsider:—Easy Win

RACE 10

Our Pride
Our Pride
Gighn
Outsider:—Asian Diamond

RACE 11

Jake
Balkan Monarch
No Surprise
Outsider:—Long Cue

RACE 12

Welcome
Brilliance
Fenchurch
Outsider:—

TODAY'S TEASER TIP

Race 10
Beyond The Pale
Saturday's teaser was Kentucky Lad which finished unplaced

War Of Independence Papers Given To Queen

Washington, Oct. 20.

President Eisenhower today presented the Queen with 107 leather-bound volumes of the headquarters papers of the British Army which fought in the American War of Independence.

WHAT DID SHE GIVE?

Washington, Oct. 20.

The Queen made a donation in the offertory collection at services of the National Presbyterian Church today, but no one knows how much she gave—not even the usher.

The usher, Myron A. Dyrnker, handed the collection plate to the President who handed it to the Queen. She passed the plate to other worshippers in the pew. Newsmen besieged Dyrnker after the service to find out the size of the Queen's offering. But he was completely in the dark.

"I deliberately avoided looking," he explained.—United Press.



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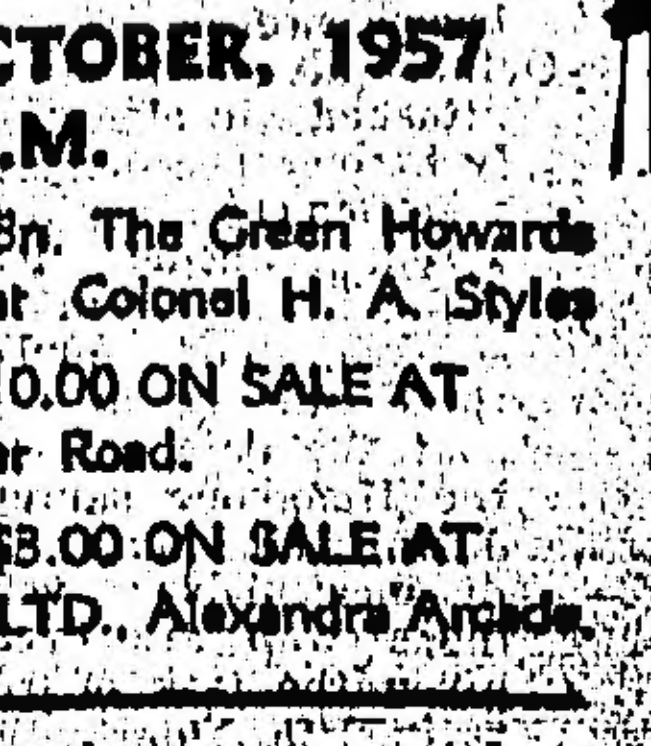
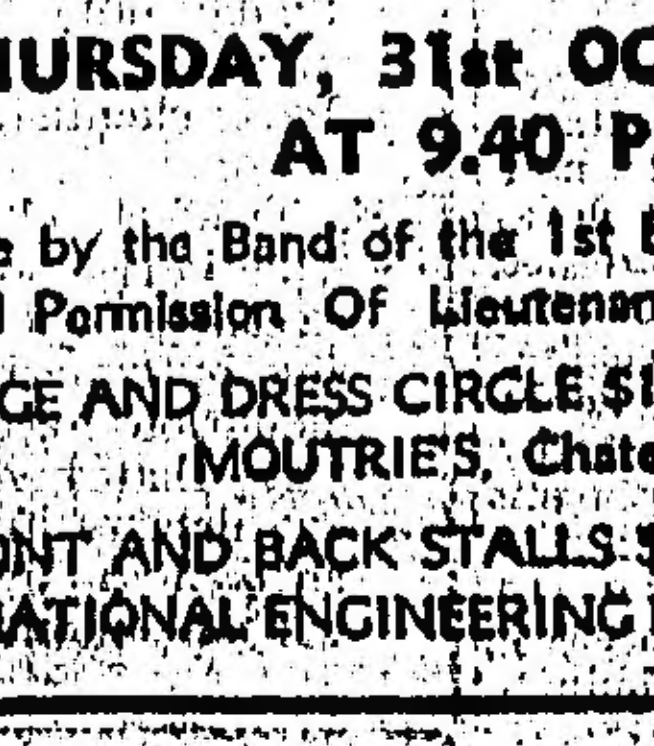
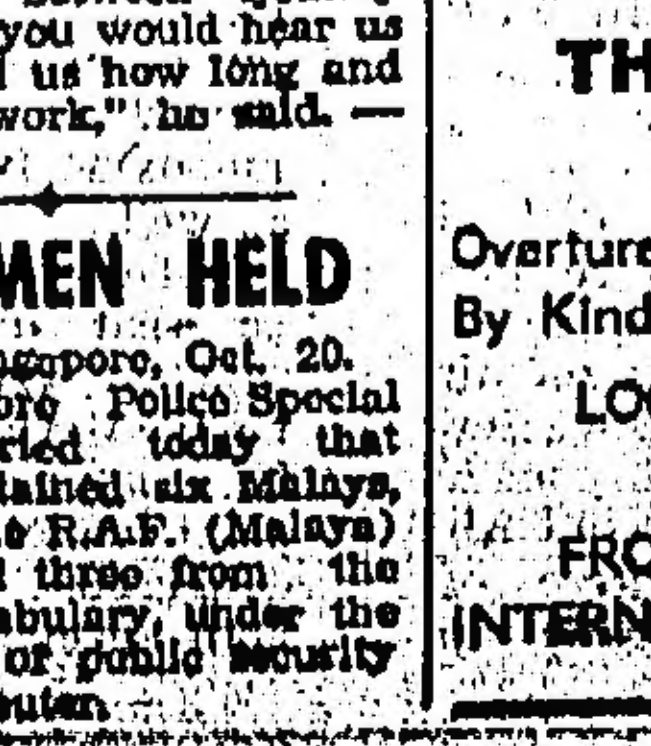
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IMPLICATIONS BEHIND THE QUEEN'S TOUR

Royal Visit—A Triumph

LEAVES FOR NEW YORK TODAY

Washington, Oct. 20. Queen Elizabeth's visit to the United States has been not only a personal triumph, but a trip with diplomatic and political implications of far-reaching significance for Anglo-American unity, according to many observers here tonight.

On the political side, while the Queen's Constitutional role is understood, few have constructed the timing of the Washington mission of Mr. Harold Macmillan coming immediately after the Royal visit, as a sheer coincidence. The events are seen in a single context.

Observers have noted that as Minister in Attendance upon the Queen, Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, British Foreign Secretary, has taken the opportunity of his

stay in Washington to discuss international affairs with Mr. John Foster Dulles, the American Secretary of State.

Declarations

They noted also that both President Eisenhower and Mr. Dulles used occasions honouring the Queen to make declarations of major political importance.

On the night of the Queen's arrival, the President went beyond the limits of diplomatic language and protocol in proposing that British and American scientists work together.

Russian danger exists in its present form. "We draw closer to the mother country in our hour of need, just as she draws closer to us."

Afternoon Off

Meanwhile Queen Elizabeth today took an afternoon off to indulge her passion for watching horses—her last opportunity for relaxation before ending her North American tour with a whirlwind visit to New York tomorrow.

The 1,800 reporters and photographers who have watched their every move since they arrived in Ottawa last Saturday were told to leave the Royal couple alone as they drove into Maryland to look over the string of thoroughbred horses at Middleburg Training Track.

Last Function

Later, the Queen and Prince Philip attended their last function in Washington—a small, intimate "Commonwealth family dinner" at which only 24 other people were present.

The Queen wore a Norman Hartnell gown of lime green lace, embroidered all over with gold, pale green diamonds and emeralds.

After the dinner, at the Australian Embassy, the Royal couple were to drive straight to Union Station to board a train taking them to New York for their final day in America.

A VISCOUNT CRASHES IN S. AFRICA

Johannesburg, Oct. 20. A Vickers Viscount airliner, in South Africa for testing flights, crashed at the Jan Smuts airport here today. First reports said the plane was extensively damaged but there were no casualties.

It was stated later that the Viscount crashed into one of its wings during a test emergency landing.

Fire broke out in one engine but was quickly extinguished.

TROPICAL TRIALS

The plane was purely intended for tests and had been going through a programme of tropical trials in high altitude conditions in South Africa.

A spokesman for the makers said the airline, a new version of the Viscount called the 800/810, was making a measured emergency test landing run "when the starboard undercarriage collapsed and the starboard wing hit the ground and was broken."

'Bloodless Pearl Harbour'

Washington, Oct. 20. Walter Reuther, Vice-President of the American Federation of Labour-Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO) said today the launching of the artificial satellite by the Soviet Union was a "bloodless Pearl Harbour" for the United States.

Reuther, head of the United Automobile Workers, said American workers were ready to make "every sacrifice" necessary to help the success of an accelerated programme to catch up to the Soviet Union in the field of rockets and artificial satellites.

It remained to be demonstrated, however, that to ensure the success of such a programme, it would be necessary to ask workers to do overtime at frozen wages, he said.

"If such a necessity were proven, and if it made the difference between success and failure in the struggle between tyranny and freedom, you would hear us say: 'Just tell us how long and we'll go to work,'" he said.

POLICEMEN HELD

Singapore, Oct. 20. The Singapore Police Special Branch reported today that they had detained six Malays, three from the R.A.F. (Malaya) Regiment and three from the Special Constabulary under the preservation of public security ordinance.—Reuter.

Mourning Clothes Vanish As... Anniversary Of Hungary's Riots Draws Nearer

Budapest, Oct. 20. All mourning attire disappeared from Budapest shops over the weekend—part of an elaborate government campaign, observers said, to prevent Hungarians commemorating on Wednesday the first anniversary of their Soviet-crushed revolt.

With tension mounting in the battle-scarred city as the fateful October 23 approaches, the Government stepped up its efforts to avoid anniversary disturbances.

Police patrols have been strengthened, and people who normally wear black for their work have been advised to wear other clothes on Wednesday. Caretakers of blocks of flats have been asked to hand in black flags and national flags, and also instructed to report gatherings or meetings in their premises.

Warning

Mr. Gyorgy Markus, the Minister of State, has warned the people against a work boycott on Wednesday—any street demonstrations, and "the workers' power will be there within 10 minutes and make order," he said.

Rumour follows rumour on what might happen on Wednesday. Some forecast a mourning boycott of entertainment centres. Others say the Government will close down the coffee houses, restaurants, theatres, bars and night clubs from eight o'clock in the evening.

More Goods

Materially, most Hungarians live better now than they did before Budapest street demonstrations exploded last October into a country-wide armed rising, crushed finally by Soviet tanks after two weeks of bloody fighting.

There are more consumer goods in the shops, although prices have risen and earnings declined in recent months. But this, observers say, is apparently not enough to overcome passive opposition which seems likely to persist as the Kadar regime pursues a repressive policy.

In their view, the dilemma of the country's Communist rulers seems to be that they fear to ease their grip appreciably in case a simmering discontent rears again in open unrest.

Many Hungarians, bitter at being deprived of the goals which seemed within their grasp a year ago, are resigned to a rigid regime working under the eye of Moscow, and see little improvement of their lot as long as East-West relations remain strained.

Meanwhile, with the approach of the anniversary of the 1956 Hungarian uprising, the Rumanian authorities were taking precautions against demonstrations in the formerly Hungarian regions of Transylvania, according to reports reaching Vienna from Bucharest today.

Intellectuals

At Cluj, a big meeting of intellectuals was held recently to hear the self-criticism of Lajos Jordaky, a Hungarian author and lecturer of the University of Cluj.

Jordaky confessed that he had "allowed himself to be used by the Hungarian reactionaries" during the uprising. He said that his "sympathy with Imro Nagy and the Peasant circles" had misled him, and allowed "the poison of nationalism to act on him."

He said he now saw "the error of his ways," and had taken a stand against chauvinism "which supported the warlike purposes of the imperialists."

This and similar measures had been taken, these reports said, because during the Hungarian rising Cluj University had been a centre of sympathy for the Hungarian rebels and had organised demonstrations in their favour.—China Mail Special.

SPACE NEWS

CHIEF DIFFICULTY IN LAUNCHING 'SPUTNIK'

Moscow, Oct. 20. The problem of cooling and strengthening the casing of the launching rocket was the chief difficulty that had to be overcome by Soviet scientists before they could launch the "Sputnik" artificial satellite, an article published by the Soviet month "Ogoniok" revealed today. The article, which appeared in the October edition of "Ogoniok" published today, was signed by Scientist V. Krylov.

Without specifying whether this solution was that which was adopted, the article said that "one solution" to the major launching problem was to use a special steel alloy, containing nickel, cobalt, chromium and titanium,

for the rocket's casing.

The article indicated that the American intercontinental rocket exploded shortly after it was launched, because the problem of fuel ignition at the launching and regular supply of fuel to the engines had not been solved.

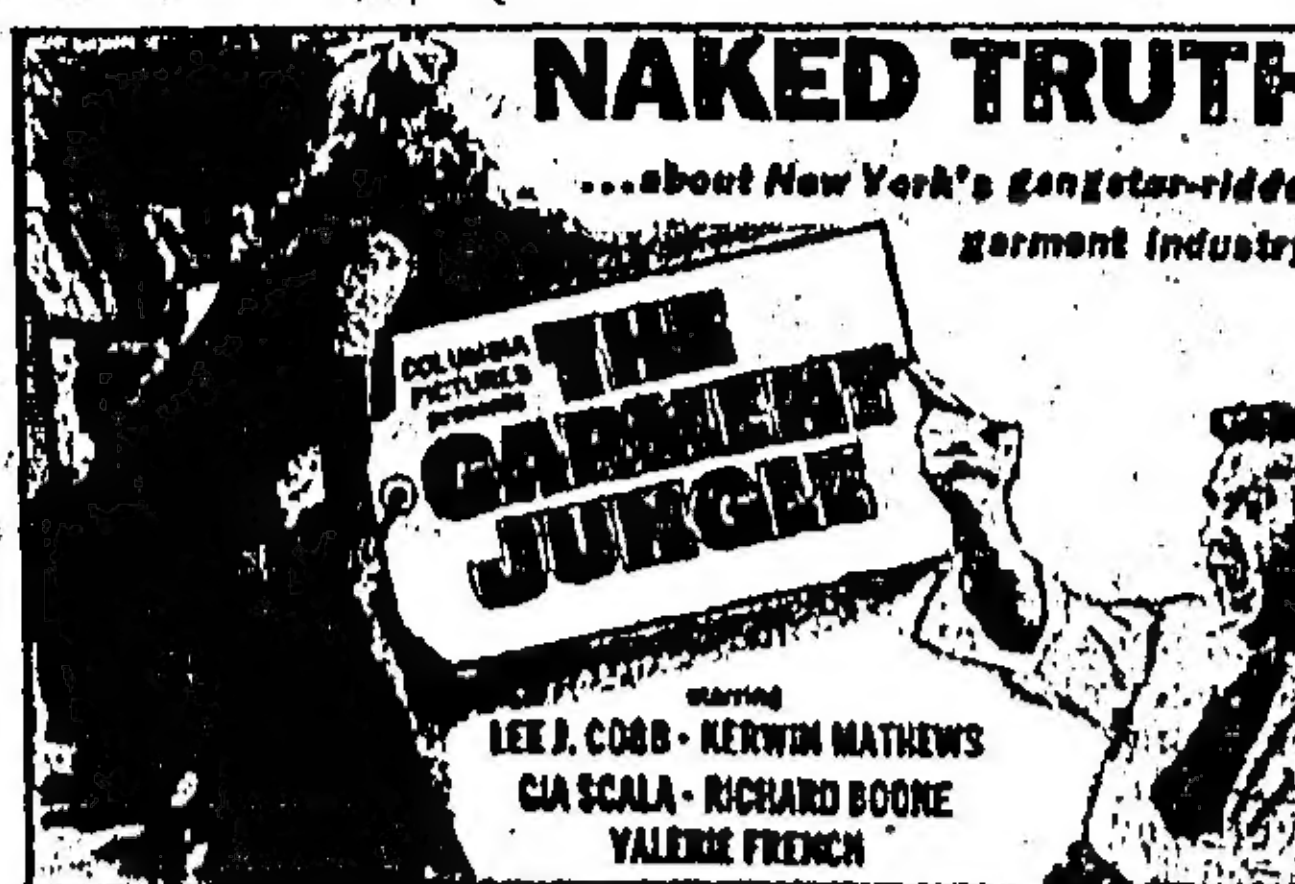
This problem and that of the vibrations of the rocket's engines had also been very difficult to solve, the article added.

The "Ogoniok" article said that "flights of a far greater scope than that of the present Sputnik can now be prepared, thanks to the exploits achieved in the Soviet Union in the technique of rockets and neighbouring scientific fields."—France-Press.

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VANGUARD MISSILE READY FOR TEST

Cape Canaveral, Oct. 20. The slender Vanguard missile, which America hopes will be able to throw a US satellite into an outer space orbit in March, may be triggered off in a test run some time on Monday. Newsmen and photographers swarmed along the beaches near the offshore Air Force missile test centre on Sunday as word of the important test spread through the missile-conscious coastal towns in the area of the top-secret base. The newsmen have been gathered at Cape Canaveral since Friday the unofficial date for the first test firing of the complex rocket. But twice on Friday the rocket was fuelled and its launching held up for either technical or weather reasons. It was reported that scientists were checking the internal mechanism of the rocket over the weekend and it would be ready for the thrust up-ward on Monday. The Vanguard, a slim 72-foot rocket, will be used to throw the US version of the Russian Sputnik into a round-the-world orbit. But the firing expected tomorrow will be merely a test of the powerful mechanism, without a "moon" in its nose.

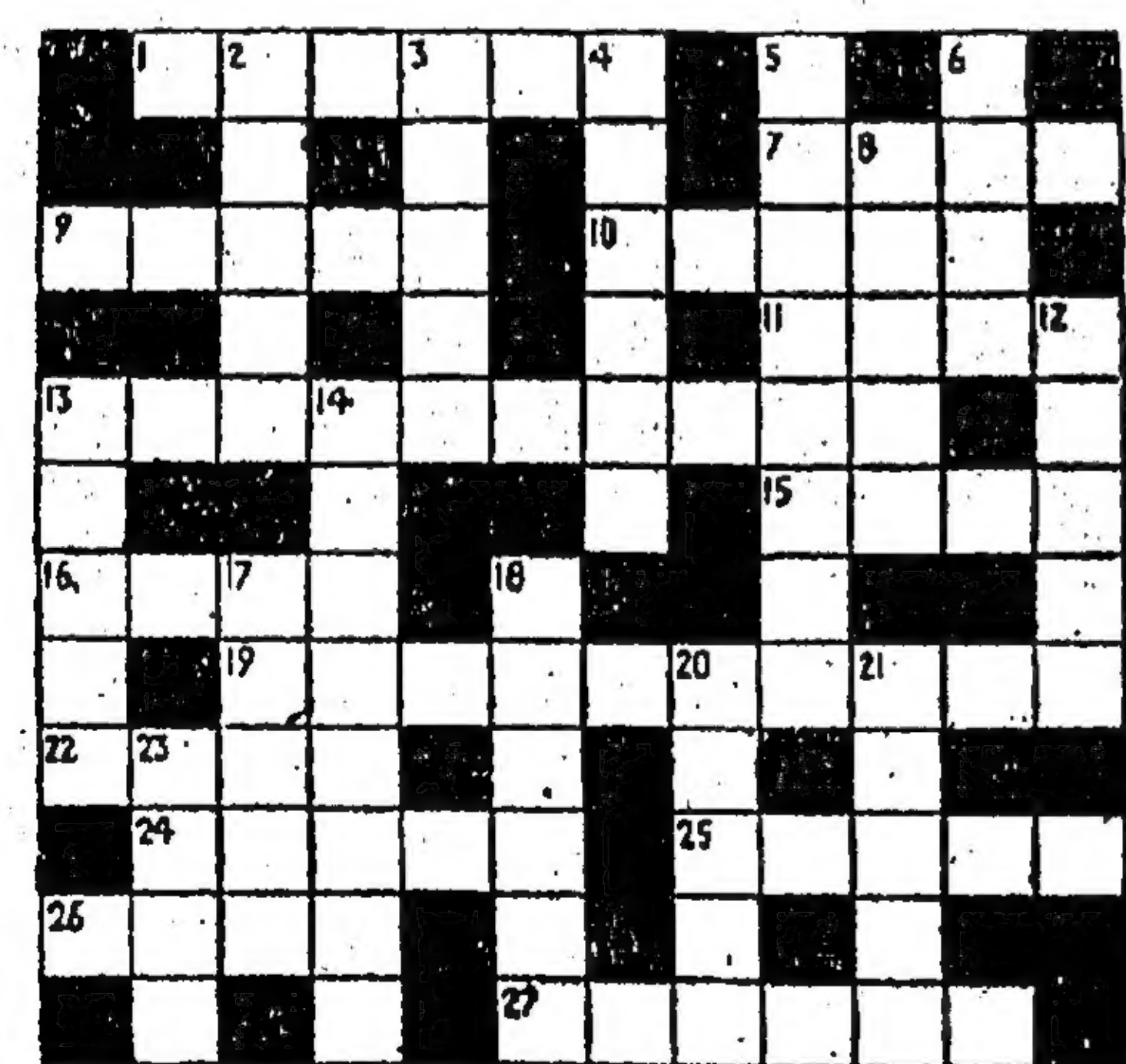
PROTOTYPE

The purpose of the firing is to test only the first of the three stages of the Vanguard. The second two stages will be dummies but will contain scientific instruments through which it is hoped enough information could be gathered to make the spring "moon" launching a success. President Eisenhower already has announced that the first test satellite, prototype of the fully-equipped moon to be launched in March, will be fired in December. Tomorrow's test would be the preliminary to launching the "Test" moons. Newsmen and photographers stood along the beaches throughout Sunday, just in case the "warning" was given that a launching was to take place. But the red ball hoisted to the top of a 90-foot pole to signal "danger" for boats in the area never went up. The ball usually signifies a launching will take place.—United Press.

Reds At Church

Vienna, Oct. 20. Soviet atom scientists attended a Roman Catholic Mass here today for delegates to the foundation conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency. The Archbishop of Vienna, Dr. Franz Konig, read the four official languages of the conference—English, French, Spanish and Russian—and also in German.—China Mail Special.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 A funny cry? (6).
- 2 Lots of paper (4).
- 3 Teddy's brother (5).
- 4 Take up residence (5).
- 5 Fodder pit (4).
- 6 Rover's hard tack? (9, 7).
- 7 Animal retreats (4).
- 8 Mackintosh, perhaps (4).
- 9 Feeling blue (10).
- 10 Fans sometimes raise it (4).
- 11 Former clerk (5).
- 12 Cozy nook (5).
- 13 Fast time (4).
- 14 Joint holder (6).

DOWN

- 1 Held on (3).
- 2 Sheer boredom (5).
- 3 Medicine man (6).
- 4 Acted as 'superintendent' (5).
- 5 Autumnal tumble (4).
- 6 The best people (5).
- 7 Attack in a film studio? (5).
- 8 Stage setting (5).
- 9 What we are about to receive (6).
- 10 Make more attractive (5).
- 11 Gamekeeper? (6).
- 12 Bullbait (5).
- 13 Something like a birdie (5).
- 14 Golf championship? (4).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Chorus, 4 admit, 7 Doodle, 8 Clave, 10 Font, 12 Concede, 15 Cedar, 16 Axes, 17 Even, 19 Smote, 20 Decays, 21 Erie, 23 Nonet, 24 Medium, 26 Party, 28 Spread, Down: 1 Codified, 2 Or-fences, 3 Ugly, 5 Delicate, 6 Ravage, 8 Corns, 11 Tugboat, 12 Castle, 13 Extraneous, 14 Exterminated, 16 Vortex, 22 Leap.

The Frontier

NEWSPAPERMAN VISITS BOTH COUNTRIES' TROOPS

By GEOFFREY THURSBY

London, Oct. 20.

I have just seen Turkish and Syrian troops in position on either side of the frontier 40 miles to the northeast of Latakia—the Syrian port the Russians used to supply Syrians with arms.

As far as I know, I am the first newspaperman to have reached either side of this explosive frontier. I have been on both sides—in Syria and in Turkey. To do so, I drove 250 miles north from Beirut, capital of Lebanon, through Syria and over the frontier west of Aleppo near the Syrian village of Dana. Syrian troops in dusty grey uniforms and steel helmets over their ears were under canvas within four miles of the frontier. Their Russian lorries were drawn up beside the road—one of them broken down.

Nearer the frontier Syrian infantrymen were sitting around among the iron coloured rocks, their sub-machine guns slung over their shoulders. A platoon or two were doing toughening-up exercises in full battle kit. Across the frontier the Turks in American uniforms are drawn up in strength 15 miles away. Forward scout parties are in spotting positions along the border.

Turkish Force

The main Turkish force is in position on a plateau by Aleppo-Ankara railway line between the Turkish farming village of Ishliye and the village junction of Fevzipasa where a line branches east to Malatya.

On the Turkish-Syrian frontier, the Turks are near a path in the 3,500-foot Hatle Mountain where the railway from Aleppo runs through on its way to Ankara. This is the area—with breaks in the mountains—through which a Syrian attack north or Turkish attack south could be launched.

I counted 15 Turkish tanks—American Pattons—brought up in line facing Aleppo. Bell-like tents were dotted all through the dark green undergrowth. Army trucks—I counted more than 50—were scattered among the undergrowth trees.

To the north side of the road I drove down six dark green single engine spotter aircraft were drawn up in line abreast.

Headquarters

I learned that Gaziantep is the headquarters of the Turkish troops drawn along a 100 miles of frontier running from the Mediterranean coast in the northeast.

There is a full division in this area—some 10,000 men, but some of them have been there for nearly a year. Heavy reinforcements have been brought in—and are still arriving—since the border crisis began when pro-Russian Syria accused Turkey of border threats and incidents.

American military advisers are attached to the Turkish division and they live in badly run, ill-lit hotels in Alexandretta and Gaziantep. To see the Turkish army, and the Americans, I had to make two trips.

The first, after crossing the frontier west of Aleppo on Friday afternoon, took me north-west of the frontier. Within few minutes of crossing the border, I began to see Turkish troops in Turkish farming villages.

On Plateau

At dawn next day, I left on my second frontier trip—a 90 miles drive over the ranges to Gaziantep. On this trip, I discovered the Turkish troops were drawn up in positions on the plateau between Ishliye and Fevzipasa.

I came upon them after climbing over the mountain from Alexandretta.

On the Turkish-Syrian frontier there was military traffic all the way from the railway station at Fevzipasa into the Turkish headquarters in Gaziantep.

Turkish officers were thick in the town and traffic was controlled by the army.

Half an hour after I went in to the town, I saw an American major in the street and I asked him what he was doing there.

"Military mission," he told me. "I have been adviser to the troops in this area for six months. There are always some troops here, say, what the hell is going on now? We Americans don't understand it ourselves."

"It looks as if the Russians are whipping the whole thing up to cause trouble."

Manoeuvres

I asked him if he knew of any way in which the Turkish troops might have appeared to threaten the Syrians. "All I know is that manoeuvres near the border were a little late this year. The reason was they couldn't be held while there were crops still in the ground. This is farming area and no one wants to ruin the crops."

I asked him if it were true that reinforcements had been brought into the area. He said it was true but he did not know the reason.

Were there any tanks in the area? "Yes," he said. "But there's nothing strange in that. The Turkish Army is organised on lines of the American Army where divisions have a bit of everything in them."

I asked him if he knew if it were true that there were 200 tanks along the border as Syrians claimed when I was in Damascus on my way to the frontier. "If there are 200 tanks in this area, then I don't know where they are," said the major. "It's plain nonsense."

I asked the major if he thought there would be any serious trouble on the border and he replied, "A war of words—like the one going on between Syria and Turkey—it always has some effect on the troops of each country. The danger as I see it is that someone could fire off a few rounds accidentally and send the whole place up. But I don't think it will happen."

From Gaziantep, I drove back nearly 100 miles to the Turkish town of Adna, north of Alexandretta. On the way I met military lorries in twos and threes bringing up equipment towards the border and ack-ack guns were dug in along the railway line.

What are my main impressions from the trip through Syria and Turkey?

Impressions

First, a lot of people in Syria—particularly in Aleppo—are beginning to resent the Russians.

A businessman told me, "The Syrians don't want to be under the domination of anyone—West or East. We are beginning to realise what the Russians are up to. It is not safe to talk too much in Syria these days but I can tell you that lots of people—even in the Government—are wanting to slide back from the Russians."

"Everyone in Aleppo is frightened of the Turks now. They think the Turks might try to take the town and in a way, the Russians are being blamed. The people reason that if the Russians hadn't given Syria guns and arms, the Turks wouldn't be bringing troops down to the border."

I heard similar views even in the Foreign Office in Damascus. There was even resentment in Damascus that the Egyptian had gone to the Turkish frontier.

Putting it bluntly, the argument against the Egyptians is that they are the most likely people to cause trouble on the Turkish frontier and Syrians do not want war with Turkey over the Egyptians.

Not In Mood

My second impression is that the Russians are definitely behind the whipping up into a major world crisis of border incidents and troop movements. Though the Turks want Aleppo because of its value as trading city, they don't seem to be in a mood on government level to attack Syria.

The mood in the villages along the Turkish border is different. I was told at a village where I stopped there was a lot of ill-feeling at the moment between the Syrians and the Turks. This could lead to stupid incidents that Russia in her present mood could quickly turn into serious trouble.

That, to me, seems to be the immediate danger—that someone could be stupid. And now there are enough troops on either side for that to result in a big flare up—if not a world war.

CURRENCY CHANGE

Taboradi, Ghana, Oct. 20. Ghana is to replace the existing notes and coins with a new currency backed by sterling, Mr. A. Eggleston, Governor of the Bank of Ghana, announced here yesterday.

Mr. Eggleston, who was attending the ceremony marking the opening of the bank's new premises, said: "We shall issue a new currency in exchange for the existing notes and coins of the West African Currency Board."

"The old currency will be presented to the Board, who have an obligation to give us sterling for it—so at first, the new currency will be automatically backed by sterling"—China Mail Special.

FLEEING EAST GERMANS

Berlin, Oct. 20. East German Communist leader Walter Ulbricht in a speech released today demanded measures to halt the flight of thousands of East Germans to the West.

His speech indicated new East German border checks might be "designed to halt the exodus of East Germans to the West."

Queen To Visit Empire State Building

New York, Oct. 20. The Empire State Building, scrubbed, scoured and polished by an army of workers, will put its best foot forward tomorrow for the visit of Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip. For the first time since the world's tallest skyscraper was opened in 1931, a visitor will be given the red carpet treatment—265 yards of it.

The Queen, who asked to visit the Building during her whirlwind tour of New York, will walk upon the thick velvet carpet from the moment she steps to the curb at the 34th Street entrance until she enters the Observatory on the 80th floor.

Building officials have been at work for days planning the visit down to the smallest details. Even the Observatory elevators have been fixed so the Queen won't have to pay a dime for the view.

The first lift in which the Royal couple will ride can make the trip to the 80th floor in one minute. And there is little chance of a slip. The cables and machinery have been given a delicate examination. Two City detectives will be stationed in the basement to keep an eye on the machinery.

The lift will be run by Edward Quinn, a former London bobby who was stationed at Buckingham Palace in the 1920's and knew the Queen's grandparents, King George V and Queen Mary. Quinn, an Irishman from County Waterford, came to the US in 1928 and has worked at the Empire State Building for the last 10 years.

MAIN OBSERVATORY

From the 80th floor, another lift will take the Royal couple up to the main Observatory. The Queen will be met there by about 100 newsmen for interviews and photographs.

Then, the "couple"—accompanied only by Col. Henry Crow, owner of the Building—will enter a third lift that will take them to a glass-enclosed observatory on the 102nd floor, top of the Building and 1,250 feet above street level.

From the top, a visitor can see 40 miles on a clear day. Six window washers will be at work on the observatory tomorrow morning.

The Observatory, which usually has 40,000 visitors a day, will be closed all day because of the Royal visit.—United Press.

Balkan Talks Today

Athens, Oct. 21. Top-level Greek-Yugoslav talks, dominated by the Middle East crisis and Balkan problems, begin here this evening.

The discussions start after the arrival today of Mr. Edvard Kardelj, a Yugoslav vice-president, for a four-day visit at the invitation of the Greek Prime Minister, Mr. Constantine Karamanlis.

No agenda has been fixed for the talks, which will continue tomorrow and will be attended by Mr. Karamanlis and his Foreign Minister, Mr. Evangelos Averoff.

Problems

A Greek Foreign Ministry spokesman said the talks would deal with events in the Middle East, recent Rumanian proposals for a conference of Prime Ministers of the six Balkan countries—Yugoslavia, Rumania, Bulgaria, Albania, Turkey and Greece—and other mutual problems.

Greece and Yugoslavia, together with Turkey, form the new almost defunct Balkan Alliance.—Reuter.

CHORAL GROUP'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE FESTIVAL

By R. A. BONES

The Choral Group under the direction of Maestro Elisio Gualdi presented their contribution to the Festival of the Arts in the form of a concert of Rossini's works given in the Loke Yew Hall of the University on Saturday night.

This group is really outstanding inasmuch as it produced no less than nine soloists all of such an exceptionally high standard that it is very difficult to choose between them.

But let me start with a criticism. In the printed programme Maestro Gualdi's name is spelt in three different ways. Miss Giulietta Tam's in two different ways, even the poor Hammond organ has lost its "d", but worst of all the name of the principal composer of the evening is completely missing from every page of the programme!

First Part

The first part of the programme commenced with extracts from Rossini's "Messa Solenne" with the choir and soloists accompanied by Betsy Chiu on the piano and Donald Fraser on the Hammond organ.

This choir is quite well balanced and produces a full tone but there were one or two slight signs of raggedness which very close attention to the conductor might cure.

The organ is an ideal instrument for the accompaniment of a choir especially in a work like this as it has a tone which blends and enhances the voices. Mr. Fraser produced a modest and sympathetic accompaniment well in keeping with the music.

On the other hand the piano was rather overbearing and at times overpowering. It seemed to me as if Miss Chiu had been trying to "pull out" the singers during rehearsals and to this end had been emphasising certain parts and had not retired to a discreet accompaniment for the performance.

Festival

The first half of the programme also included the prize-winning songs for the festival competition. I wrote about these a few days ago and have little to add to what I said then. To my Western ears, the setting by Mr. Lee of "Far Away Well" was quite pleasing and interesting. Incidentally who did write that?

The programme says "Lee Chiu Ping" but the printed sheet enclosed with the programme says "Lee Chiu Yuan".

The setting of "Jenny Kissed Me" by Theodore Wong contains an interesting canon in the middle but I fear that the setting still does not convey to me the feeling of the original poem.

Both these items were sung by a double quartet from the Sacred Music School quite well although not as well as at the previous performances.

The second part of the programme consisted chiefly of various arias from some of Rossini's operas. This was the opportunity for the soloists and they made the most of it. The standard of singing was uniformly high yet each had his or her individual characteristics and style of singing.

Young People

The programme was cleverly arranged so that the soloists sang the type of aria most suited to their voice yet there was a progression from one item to the next and good balance between them. I would be most unfair and misleading to me to single out any individual for particular mention and space prohibits me from mentioning everyone, so I will just say that I was delighted and enchanted by them all.

The solo accompaniments were played by Maestro Gualdi but I am afraid that I again found these rather overbearing and even overpowering. It sounded to me as if a similar reason might be advanced to that which I have given for Miss Chiu.

I was sorry to see so few of our regular concert-goers in the audience, they missed a pleasant and exciting evening. I was, however, delighted to see so many young people present, their appreciative applause showed that they enjoyed themselves as much as I did.

COMMON NORDIC MARKET

Copenhagen, Oct. 20. Detailed plans for a common Nordic market, including the establishment of a customs union covering 80 per cent of trade between Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden, were published here today.

Under the plan the abolition of tariffs and restrictions within Scandinavia would be combined with the fixing of a common Scandinavian tariff on goods imported from other countries.

The joint tariff, described as "moderate", would be based on value assessment, instead of quantity assessment, most raw materials would not be subject to tariffs, whereas those on semi-manufactured goods would range from three to nine per cent and on finished goods from eight to 12 per cent.

RELATIVELY LOW

Though relatively low, the proposed tariffs would be higher than those at present in force in Denmark, which has the lowest tariffs in Scandinavia. The customs union would cover almost all industrial raw materials and semi-manufactured goods and a large number of finished articles. It would exclude agricultural products. Other exceptions would be textiles, shoes, glass, porcelain and fishery products.

The report, to be discussed at a meeting of the Nordic Ministers for Scandinavian co-operation in Stockholm next Monday, states that Scandinavia's future economic development can no longer be based on the same degree as now on the production of raw materials and semi-manufactured goods.

SATISFACTORY

It stresses that "a satisfactory growth in the economy of the Nordic countries will necessitate on the one hand, an increased degree of refinement in production on the basis of their own raw materials, and on the other an extension of production in fields where industrial experience, professional ability and technical standard have particular importance for competitive success."

"At the same time," the report adds, "the possibilities of participating in more extensive international co-operation must be preserved."—Reuter.

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TOMORROW
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THE CHIEF saw a shadow in Sarah's greying face, and the shadow said: "Heads I win and tails you lose."

So death often speaks to the surgeon; so it spoke now to the Chief.

If he operated at once he might kill her. If he did not she might die.

Which to do? It is the right decision, not only the nimble fingers, which marks the great surgeon.

not all doctors have heard the news, that one of the things you must NOT do is give the patient extra warmth.

Research, chiefly at the Birmingham Accident Hospital, has shown it may be dangerous, even fatal.

So Sarah was not given the hot-water bottles, the electric blanket she would have been given a year or two ago. Just the normal bedclothes.

She was given too a glucose - and - saline drip; called a drip because it does drip - from a bottle above her head through a thin tube direct into a vein in her arm.

This was much the same as a blood transfusion. The glucose gave her strength, and saline (salt and water) supplied vital blood constituents.

The rest of the preparation was normal routine for any emergency operation; a routine which always takes nearly an hour, a vital hour, and cannot be hurried.

But to the layman everything about an operation seems unhurried, even leisurely. No glamour, no heroics, not much drama.

These are quite ordinary men and women whose job is to meet death with casualness and reject it when they can. A job like any other job, almost. Impersonal, because it must be.

penicillin or streptomycin, to fight the murderous infection which by now was threatening her whole body.

Then she had all the things done to her that must be done before a major operation, things which seem undignified only to the healthy....

Things like having the stomach emptied by passing a thin tube down through the nose. This was vital. Had Sarah vomited with anything in her stomach she might have choked and died.

The tube was to stay there through the operation and for several days afterwards. It sounds more unpleasant than it is.

Meanwhile, the theatre staff, consisting of theatre sister, two staff nurses, and two student nurses, were preparing the operating theatre.

They sterilised instruments, boiling all but the scalpels and scissors. These were put into an antiseptic fluid because boiling would blunt them.

The Chief acts

THE surgeon has only a few basic instruments but each has so many variations—at least 24 kinds of scissors—that he ends up with scores.

So the nurses now needed five trolleys to lay them out. Scalpels (with detachable blades), forceps, retractors, clamps, needles—and 300 tubes of catgut (but not all for Sarah).

Another hour was gone. The Chief came again to Sarah and he saw three things. He saw she was less shocked and the poisoning was far advanced—and he saw that if he did not operate now she would die.

"Now she has a chance," he said. "We mustn't wait longer." Yes, she had a chance.

In the theatre

THE Hollywood version is false, the romance is fiction. "Pass the syringe, please, Sister." "Don't let her chin drop, Nurse." "Steady that trolley, Nurse."

This is the reality, the stuff that saves lives. This, the routine and the unspectacular plodding, was what mattered now in the bid to save Sarah.

Another hour had already gone. The Chief looked down again at Sarah, felt the feeble, fluttering pulse and exchanged a glance with the registrar.

They said nothing. But their look meant this: Time was getting very, very short.

And the routine went on. Not so many years ago Sarah would have been given an anaesthetic and no more. Now she was given a whack of drugs which, had she not been so dangerously ill, would have made this time of waiting actually pleasant.

She was given an injection of two drugs (Omipon and Schiopamine) which together kill pain, produce a pleasant, couldn't-care-less feeling, and, afterwards, help wipe out memory of the operation.

She was also given an injection of an antibiotic, like

The trouble was shock, medical shock, a condition that kills. The heart races, the breathing hunts, and little beads of sweat mist the cold and clammy skin.

There is always some shock with any acute condition. But severe shock is almost total collapse. The body gives up trying, and this is nearly the worst that can happen.

It had happened to Sarah. Her life depended on an operation her body could not yet stand. Said the Chief: "We'll have to wait an hour—maybe two."

Two hours it was. Two hours in which doctors and nurses treated Sarah for shock, and meanwhile, prepared for the operation.

The long wait

EVERY medical and first-aid textbook, including one I had a hand in myself, says about shock in effect: "Above all, apply extra warmth to the patient."

All wrong. It is now established, so recently that



UNHAPPY BULL
... as Arlie sees him.

If a bull chases you— it's only his fear complex

By CHAPMAN PINCHER
IT'S a new hobby—bull-watching. The pioneer is Mr Andrew Fraser, a Scottish veterinary surgeon who has been "psycho-analysing" bulls to find what makes them savage.

And after two years of steady bull-watching he has decided that bulls which attack people are not really evil-minded, but are suffering from an "anxiety neurosis."

This neurosis is due to an "unresolved conflict" between sex and authority. The bull wants to be undisputed king of the cows, but has to submit to being bossed by the cowman.

This sets up a "fear complex" of the type described by Dr Sigmund Freud in human patients, Mr Fraser believes. When a bull bellows and paws the ground it is simply

going through some automatic motions while its mental conflict resolves into a decision to charge or run away.

Some bulls, usually the most highly sexed, almost always charge. Others—like the fabled Ferdinand, who just wanted to sit peacefully under a tree—always end up by running away.

His studies of 70 bulls in Lanarshire have shown that a bull always points one horn and one eye at an intruder.

Sometimes its muscles become so rigid with emotion that they are temporarily paralysed.

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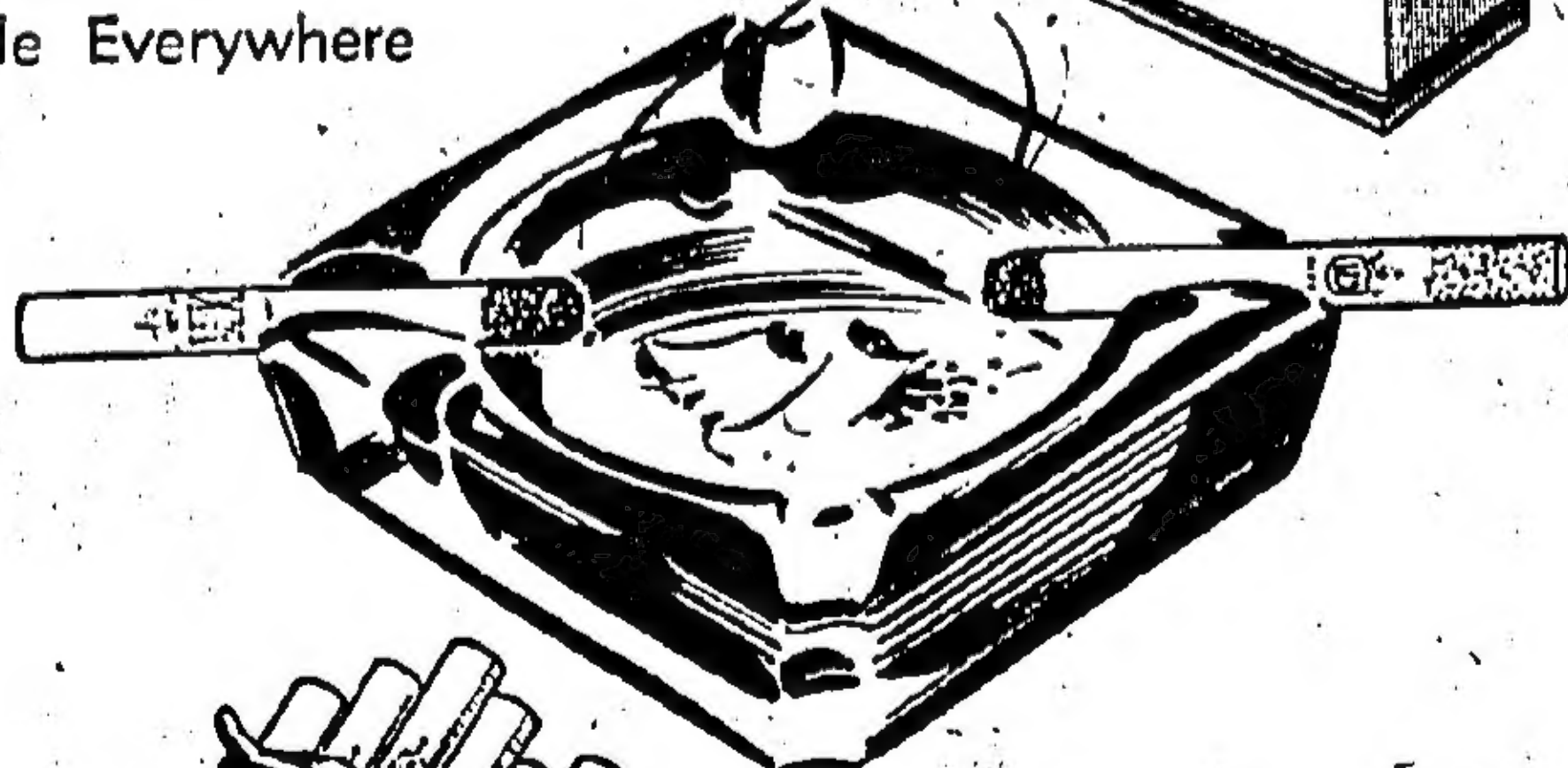
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"Last Thursday we only had the H-bomb to worry about."

"RAPIER" ON TODAY'S CHANCES THIS WAS SOFTBRAWL AT THE VALLEY

Says "TIME OUT"

In a Senior League "Soft Brawl" game yesterday at King's Park, D. S. Ling's Pandas and Fred Diesta's P. I. Dodgers engaged in an 8-inning affair which was eventually won by the Pandas 6 to 5 but not before a vast crowd had left the park with a bad taste in their mouths.

The other big game of the day saw Ed Carvalho's Seminoles asserting their superiority over their nearest rivals, Robert Remedios' Cheyennes, when in a highly exciting Junior League game Carvalho's boys beat the Cheyennes by 4 runs to 1.

In the first inning, with two on, Pandas' Willie Ma singled sharply to centerfield to score John Chen for the Pandas' first run. A double and an error accounted for two more Pandas runs in the top of the third, but the Dodgers cut down the lead in the bottom of this inning when they scored two runs. Both sides managed a run each in the fourth and the Dodgers tied it up in the bottom of the sixth when Vic Pedruco made home on an overthrow.

The game went into extra time when both sides failed to break the 4-4 deadlock and the eighth inning saw the beginning of some really dramatic play. Pandas' first man up, Lam Pan, failed to get on. Charlie Leung advanced to second on a tumble and when Desmond Tack's mauler was fouled another wild throw saw Leung safely at 3rd and Tack at 2nd.

Jackie Wei bunted to score Leung and Peter Hahn singled over second to score Tack for the Pandas' fifth and sixth runs. Hahn stole second and on the way to third found the Dodgers' hands as Peter J. Chavez bleeding his way.

When the dust had cleared practically the entire Dodgers' team was crowded around third, for it was found that in sliding Jackie Wei had hit the base.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB SECOND RACE MEETING

Saturday, 19th and Monday, 21st October, 1957

(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)

THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 22 RACES.

The First Race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race run at 2.00 p.m. on the 1st Day.

On the 2nd Day the First Race will be run at 11.30 a.m. and the First Race run at 12.00 Noon. The Tiffin Interval is after the Fourth Race (1.30 p.m.).

The Secretary's Office at Alexandra House will close at 11.45 a.m. on the 1st Day and at 10.00 a.m. on the 2nd Day.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED. All persons MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

Admission Badges at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable from the Club's Cash Sweep Office, at Queen's Building, Chater Road and 382 Nathan Road only on the written introduction of a Member, who will be responsible for all visitors introduced by him.

Tickets will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 72611).

The 6th Floor is restricted to Members and Ladies wearing Lady's Broomsticks.

NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises during the Meeting. For this purpose a Child is a person under the age of seventeen years, Western Standard.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission will be \$3.00 each per day payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$4.00 in order to gain re-admission.

MEALS and REFRESHMENTS will be obtainable in the RESTAURANT.

SERVANTS

Servants must remain in their employers' boxes except for passing through on duty. They may on no account use the Betting Booths or Pay Out Booths in the Enclosures.

CASH SWEEPS

Through Cash Sweep Tickets at \$4.00 each may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Office at Queen's Building, Chater Road, and 5, D'Almeida Street during normal office hours and until 11.00 a.m. on the 1st Day of the Race Meeting.

Particular numbers within the series 1 to 3,000 may be reserved for all race meetings as Through Tickets. Such tickets will be issued consecutively only and the right is reserved by the Stewards to cancel any reservation for Through Tickets for a particular Meeting if it is found that sales may not reach the number reserved in the series 1 to 3,000.

In the case of two-day Race Meetings, Through Tickets may be purchased for each day of the Meeting provided that the second day is on a date not less than five days after the first day. In all other cases Through Tickets will only be sold for the whole Meeting.

Tickets reserved and available but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 10th October will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future Meetings.

Tickets over 3,000 will also be issued consecutively but particular numbers cannot be reserved as Through Tickets. The reservation of any particular number does not confer on the registered holder any rights whatsoever unless the ticket bearing the appropriate number is issued to and can be produced by the holder.

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Tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the Kwangtung Handicap scheduled to be run on 10th October, 1957, at \$2.00 each, may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Office.

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Backers are advised not to destroy or throw away their tickets until after the "all clear" signal has been exhibited.

ALL WINNING TICKETS AND TICKETS FOR REFUNDS MUST BE PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT AT THE RACE COURSE ON THE DAY TO WHICH THEY REFER, NOT LATER THAN ONE HOUR AFTER THE TIME FOR WHICH THE LAST RACE OF THE DAY HAS BEEN SCHEDULED TO BE RUN.

PAYMENTS WILL NOT BE MADE ON TORN OR DISFIGURED TICKETS. Bookmakers, Tie Men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

By Order of the Stewards,
A. E. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

With two away Frank Cheng rounded straight to Vic Pedruco who, without further ado, tagged Cheng on the back with a thump that could have been heard all over the stand. Cheng was off his feet and the Dodgers' defence refused to yield an inch and shut out the opposition for the rest of the game.

In the top of the fifth the necessary insurance runs came the way of the Seminoles when, with two away, shortstop Kwai-Kit Wong bunted out a hit to third and short and then promptly stole second.

Two successive walks then loaded the bases when Kenneth Abbas strode to the plate. Abbas obliged the Seminoles fans by poling out a hot grounder past third, scoring Wong standing up.

In an attempt to nail Bernard Lee at third, left-fielder Eric Remedios overthrew and Lee crossed the plate for what turned out to be the Seminoles' fourth and final run of the game.

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The Hongkong Jockey Club's Second Race Meeting continues today at the Valley and, given fine weather conditions, will again draw a large crowd of racing fans.

There are twelve interesting events on the programme. The first saddling bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m., with the tiffin interval after the Fourth Race, and the first bell after tiffin will be rung at 2.30 p.m.

The two sections of the Robinson Handicap for Class 3 ponies will be the main attraction of the afternoon.

Here are my estimates of the chances—

FIRST RACE

Hennessy Handicap (First Section)—One Mile.

The first race today is confined to Class 7 ponies to be ridden by approved novice riders who have not won 10 races at any time, anywhere.

The ponies to watch here are Carola (C. E. Hulse), Gay Sire (Ting Loo), French Bean (Lai Chum-fai) and Tumbleweed (W. M. Chan).

Carola is my choice, and I think it should win, but Gay Sire is not to be ignored as this pony can move and the distance is more to its liking.

SECOND RACE

Tonnachy Plate: From 2-Mile Post.

This race will be contested by 1957 Class C ponies.

Judging on their training form I believe that the winner will come from among Gambetta (K. Kwok), Eureka (Peter Y. T. Wei), and Jet Chi (H. M. Boleto).

Gambetta is easily the best of this bunch and I have no doubt that it will win.

THIRD RACE

Hennessy Handicap (Second Section)—One Mile.

This race is confined to the Second Section of Class 7 ponies. Invincible (Andrew Lam) continues in class form and is my choice for this race.

Dutch Courage (H. K. Chuang) will run him very close and Tumbleweed (H. K. Hui) could be near too.

I also have a fancy for Lombard (Chun Kit).

The rank outsider is Air Power (K. Kwok).

FOURTH RACE

Thomson Plate: From 1-1/2-Mile Post.

This sprint race is confined to 1957 Class C ponies.

Judging from its fourth placing at the last meeting, Angela Pearl (Star Lin) should be prominent at the finish.

In view of the opposition, it should not be fully extended, except perhaps by Blue Train (M. Samarcq).

Million Bonus (P. Plumby) should be placed and Angela (K. Kwok) may be worth following as an outsider.

FIFTH RACE

Robinson Handicap (First Section)—From 2-Mile Post.

Golden Nugget (K. Kwok) should be the winner here.

SIXTH RACE

Hutton Handicap (First Section)—One Mile.

With Champion Jockey K. Kwok as his pilot, it is difficult to force any other pony but Belinda passing the winning post first.

Huntington (P. Plumby) is rounding into form very nicely and perhaps it will re-acquaint itself with the "Winner's Circle."

Mascot (Albert Lam) and Bengal Lancer (Robert Tsai) are two ponies which are in good form during morning gallops, while Oscar Prize (C. E. Hulse) is an excellent outsider.

SEVENTH RACE

Hollywood Plate: From 2-Mile Post.

1957 Class B ponies will contest this event.

Turn (Andrew Lam) will command strong support in this race in view of his easy win over the mile in the Carnarvon Plate (Third Section) for Class C ponies in 1.49-2/5 seconds at the last meeting.

As You Wish (A. Ostroumoff) will probably be challenging all the way while Golden City (H. K. Hui) should be good enough to get a place here.

EIGHTH RACE

Hennessy Handicap (Third Section)—One Mile.

King Kong (H. K. Hui), Attractive Power (M. Samarcq) and Hawaiian Moon (Chun Kit) should fight out the finish in this race.

Prince Dahlia (E. S. Wong) has shown good form in morning gallops and should do well if properly handled on the way.

Every Day (Alvin Chan) is also ready to take on the best here and should not be ignored.

NINTH RACE

Bonham Handicap: From 1-1/2-Mile Post.

If Bashful Beauty II (K. Kwok) decides to run true to form it will be most difficult to beat.

Another pony which is improving rapidly and figures to cause some concern is Permanent View (H. M. Boleto).

City of Victoria (Albert Lam) shows signs of improvement and must be reckoned with.

While Skyline (Andrew Lam) has demonstrated its speed over short races and may provide an upset.

TENTH RACE

Hutton Handicap (Second Section)—One Mile.

The second batch of Class 4 ponies will fight out the issue in this race.

Our Pride (Chun Kit) is in sparkling form and is ready to register a win here.

Hylman (Robert Tsai) and Outsider (M. Samarcq) are good enough to offer opposition and I think they will be very close.

As an outsider I look to Gligha (Alvin Chan) for a juicy dividend.

ELEVENTH RACE

Robinson Handicap (Second Section)—From 2-Mile Post.

Among the several ponies which have impressed during morning gallops are Jake (A. Ostroumoff), Long Cue (K. Kwok), Helicon (Robert Tsai) and Balkan Monarch (Chun Kit).

The first named pony is about the fittest of the four and over this distance ought to be able to outlast the opposition.

Long Cue's chances are slightly hampered by carrying 150 lbs, while Helicon could win with a little luck.

For an outsider I would take Balkan Monarch.

TWELFTH RACE

Hutton Handicap (Third Section)—One Mile.

This race winds up the Second Race Meeting and is confined to the third section of Class 4 ponies.

Wellcome (H.K. Chuang) looks the likeliest winner.

For an outsider I would recommend keeping an eye on Beautiful Lie (C. W. Wong).

THE GAMBOLS

By Barry Appleby

Time on your hands...

RAP

Cut this out and take it to the races

TODAY for your guidance

Probable Starters, Weights & Riders

Probable starters, weights and riders for today's Happy Valley race meeting are given below. This list is based on the most up-to-date information available. As an additional guide to form, the placings of the ponies in their last three starts will be found on the left hand side of their names.

12.00 noon Race 1 HENNESSY HANDICAP (1st Section). 1 Mile. Novices. Class 7. 150 lbs. 000 Lawrence (Perceboff) ... 150 lbs. 000 Janis Bid (Tokmokoff) ... 150 lbs. 000 French Bean (Belokopoff) ... 150 lbs. 000 Mainail II (Noonell) ... 145 lbs. 422 Carola (A. S. Wong) ... 143 lbs. 304 Gay Sire (Kramperoff) ... 143 lbs. 120 Tumbleweed (Metrevelly) ... 143 lbs. 003 Tell-me-more (A. S. Wong) ... 143 lbs.	1.15 p.m. Race 2 TONNACHY PLATE. 2 Mile 1 1/2 Yards. Class C. 150 lbs. 000 Claco Kid (S. H. Wong) ... 147 lbs. 000 Eureka (Metrevelly) ... 147 lbs. 000 Gambetta (Tokmokoff) ... 147 lbs. 000 Jet Chi (Kramperoff) ... 147 lbs. 000 Tiger Shark (Noonell) ... 147 lbs. Possible Acceptors: Iron Wing Singapore.	1.40 p.m. Race 3 HENNESSY HANDICAP (2nd Section). 1 Mile. Class 7. 150 lbs. 000 Silver Dahlia (Perceboff) ... 150 lbs. 000 Dutch Courage (Chew) ... 150 lbs. 000 Air Power (Ng) ... 148 lbs. 000 Lake Success (Star Lin) ... 148 lbs. 000 Sultan (S. H. Wong) ... 148 lbs. 000 Lombard (Metrevelly) ... 148 lbs. 004 Emperor Delight (Noonell) ... 148 lbs. 000 Invincible (Rodney) ... 148 lbs. 000 Tamarlane (Sofronoff) ... 148 lbs. 1.30 p.m. Race 4 THOMSON PLATE. 1 1/2 Mile 170 Yards. Class C. 150 lbs. 000 Angela Pearl (Star Lin) ... 147 lbs. 000 Blue Train (Lui) ... 147 lbs. 000 Desert Hero (Lui) ... 147 lbs. 000 day Minister (Sofronoff) ... 147 lbs. 000 Lucky Chap (Ng) ... 147 lbs. 000 Macdonald (Noonell) ... 147 lbs. 000 Marvelous (Ng) ... 147 lbs. 000 Million Bonus (Lui) ... 147 lbs. 000 Roman Hero (Sofronoff) ... 147 lbs. 000 Satisfaction (Lui) ... 147 lbs. 000 Straight Runner (Lokoff) ... 147 lbs. 000 Sunline (Tokmokoff) ... 147 lbs. 004 Superstar (Shiu) ... 147 lbs. Possible Acceptors: Prima Donna, Star Turn.	2.00 p.m. Race 5 BONHAM HANDICAP (1st Section). 1 Mile 1 1/2 Yards. Class B. 150 lbs. 231 Golden Nugget (Kramperoff) ... 150 lbs. 202 Cheerful (Rodney) ... 150 lbs. 110 Glory (S. H. Wong) ... 150 lbs. 003 Knock-again (Alvin Chan) ... 150 lbs. 121 Hammer Mill (Tokmokoff) ... 150 lbs. 004 Cordun Hodge (Lui) ... 150 lbs. 004 King A (Lui) ... 150 lbs. Possible Acceptors: Nikky Way, Rainbow, After Dark.	2.30 p.m. Race 6 HATTAN HANDICAP (1st Section). 1 Mile. Class 4. 150 lbs. 010 Sea Raider (Sofronoff) ... 150 lbs. 030 American Carrot (Noonell) ... 150 lbs. 310 Huntington (Rodney) ... 150 lbs. 400 Fighting Spirit (Lui) ... 150 lbs. 100 Never Forget (Lui) ... 150 lbs. 100 Bengal Lancer (S. H. Wong) ... 150 lbs. 200 Oscar Prize (S. H. Wong) ... 150 lbs. 003 Mascot (Lokoff) ... 150 lbs. 010 Rose (Noonell) ... 150 lbs. 224 Belinda (Kramperoff) ... 150 lbs. 040 Dragonfly (Chew) ... 150 lbs. H. H. Chan.	3.00 p.m. Race 7 HOLLYWOOD PLATE. 2 Mile 1 1/2 Yards. Class B. 150 lbs. 01 Aw You Wish (Rodney) ... 150 lbs. 021 Confuser (Noonell) ... 150 lbs. 021 Golden City (Sofronoff) ... 150 lbs. Hung.	3.30 p.m. Race 8 HATTAN HANDICAP (2nd Section). 1 Mile. Class 4. 150 lbs. 242 No Surprise (S. H. Wong) ... 150 lbs. 400 Resurrection (Lui) ... 150 lbs. 100 Wilsome (Rodney) ... 150 lbs. 200 Long Cue (Tokmokoff) ... 150 lbs. 020 Sportsmanship (K. L. Lui) ... 150 lbs. 431 Balkan Monarch (Metrevelly) ... 150 lbs. 241 Jake (Perceboff) ... 150 lbs. 102 Old Tyre (Sofronoff) ... 150 lbs. 203 Helicon (Lokoff) ... 150 lbs. 000 Quicksilver (A. S. Wong) ... 150 lbs. 430 p.m. Race 9 HATTAN HANDICAP (3rd Section). 1 Mile. Class 4. 150 lbs. 423 Brilliance (Lokoff) ... 150 lbs. 242 Wellcome (Noonell) ... 150 lbs. 000 Casar (Tokmokoff) ... 150 lbs. 000 Fenchurch (Metrevelly) ... 150 lbs. 100 Cover Girl (Lui) ... 150 lbs. Possible Acceptors: Ecstasy, Fleetfoot, Temptation, Princess Eliza, Winning Touch.	JOCKEY ALLOWANCE T. H. Yau, 3 lbs; C. E. Hulse, 3 lbs; K. T. Lam, 3 lbs; C. F. Lai, 5 lbs.
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Russians Beaten

In Bid For World Soccer Title

Warsaw, Oct. 20.

Russia today suffered the first setback in her bid for the World Soccer title when her team was defeated 2-1 by Poland in an elimination-round game at Katowice's Chorzow Stadium.

A delicious capacity crowd of 100,000 saw the home team gain a narrow 1-0 lead in the first half and grimly hang on to it in the second. United Press.

THE GAMBOLS

By Barry Appleby

BUT IT'S ASSURED TO BE PRUDENT TO TELL A BOUGHT A FUR COAT

NOW IF I WERE IN YOUR SHOES I'D GO UP TO SECURE AND SAY

NEEDED A NEW COAT SO I BOUGHT A GOOD ONE

GULP... GRUDGE... CASLING I CAN EXPLAIN

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TWO INVALUABLE POINTS GO DOWN THE DRAIN

And Much Of Kitchee's Soccer Prestige As Sing Tao Win 3-2

Says I. M. MacTAVISH

Midway through the first half of this punishing game at the Club Stadium yesterday a well-known footballing personality came up to me and in jocular fashion said "I've just fixed a special attraction for the interval... I've arranged for Hau Yung-sang, Chang Kam-hoi, Tan Kar-sau and Chu Wing-keung to take part in a 200 metres sprint!"

He then assumed an expression of deep thought, shook his head sadly, and went on "No, on second thoughts it just wouldn't be possible. I don't think any of them could finish it in the five minutes the HKFA allow the players for an interval!"

That was a jest between friends, but even in the early stages of the game it had its own special significance, for by then we had realised that the outcome of this important encounter depended to a great extent on the success or failure of the veterans in the two line-ups.

Sing Tao won and they did so with the inspiration that sprang from yet another combined effort by Hau Yung-sang and Chang Kam-hoi, who seem to have found something of the secret of perpetual youth. Both were playing better at the end than they did in the early stages. They made the vintage players in the opposition look rather inept.

If, at the end of the season, Kitchee find themselves two points short of a challenge for honours, then they can cast their memories back to this game and recall the squandered points that resulted in this defeat.

They attacked for nearly three quarters of the ninety minutes, but surprisingly poor approach play, and even less successful finishing, restricted their goal-scoring rewards to two, both netted by Kwok Yau. With reasonable steadiness they should have had half-a-dozen, but always they wanted that extra yard or that additional kick, and such tactics played right into the strategy of Sing Tao's wily defenders.

Chu Wing-keung must shoulder the major responsibility for his side's somewhat unexpected defeat.

Fiddled And Faddled

He fiddled and faddled, dilled and dallied when the whole tempo of the game screamed out for a quick cross field pass to beat the slow-moving opposition on the turn. Instead we watched Chu time and again being caught in possession, dispossessed, and thus allowing possible attack to be changed into desperate defence.

But frankly this is a lopsided Kitchee side lacking a real dominating personality. There are too many 'bustards' and too many experts who all want things done in their particular way and to their particular liking. If during their long period of second half superiority they had had someone to dictate the play they must surely have won. Such a personality was lacking. Two invaluable points went down the secer drain.... and with them went a lot of Kitchee's football prestige.

The tigers won with a side that belied many of the rosy prospects we forecast for them at the beginning of the season. They had several glaring weaknesses and if we started using 'swart' for 'jet' we would get much nearer an accurate description of their efforts.

They were at the best a hard-working side goaded and driven on by 'General' Chung, Kam-hoi, but their forward line was always liable to get goals and while Lo Kwok-tai had space to scheme and Yeung Wai-to had a chance to break through the opposing defence, as he finally did here, they were always liable to bring off an unexpected victory.

Downright Crude

And now I want to make a general comment that applies to both sides in almost equal measure. Some of the tackling in this game ran the gamut from being disturbing to bone-shaking, to shocking, to downright crude and dangerous. Far too much of it went unpunished and for too many offenders went unpunished.

Some of the boots that flew and some of the legs that crossed those of an opponent brought tears from the spectators, but strangely enough they brought nothing more than a casual word or two from the referee, and several times not even that.

Some ten thousand spectators watched the game. If they went there expecting a feast of rilly, rilly, they must have been sadly disappointed; but if they went in the hope of seeing a 'be-man' no-quarter struggle for the points then they certainly got their money's worth.

There was nothing delicate about the proceedings and intricate, constructive football was at an absolute minimum, but there were plenty of gallops, thrills in fair play, and enough goals and near misses to keep the crowd in good voice.

Kitchee were twice in the lead. Kwok Yau got the first goal of the afternoon when the game was only ten minutes old. It was a simple affair and the Sing Tao defence was sadly at sea when Chu Wing-wah clipped the ball across the goal for the inside left to score with a half-hat shot that just scraped in at the post.

Lo Kwok-tai equalised in a slick, breakaway, but Kitchee were back in the lead after 37 minutes when Kwok Yau placed the ball neatly outside of Tam Nai-huen's reach.

Their Best Patch

Sing Tao had their best patch immediately after the interval. In the 50th minute Lo Kwok-tai drove in a brilliant equaliser which had the Kitchee defenders pointing the 'finger-of-suspicion' at each other.

It looked anyone's game with the odds probably in Kitchee's favour... but, in traditional football fashion, the odds were made to look rather sick when Sing Tao raced into the attack and got the vital winning goal. Lo Kwok-tai started the movement in which all the forwards had a hand—or should I say, a boot—and with the Kitchee defenders in a terrible tangle Yeung Wai-to was right on the spot to run the ball into the net. The Tigers were jubilant. Dejection hit Kitchee and although they still continued to have the major share of the play they failed to save the game.

The Tigers must not be misled by this victory... the team is not yet ready to offer a sustained challenge for League honours. Tam Nai-huen had a most undistinguished afternoon in goal and was fortunate that several elementary errors did not lead to goals.

Hau Yung-sang, Chang Kam-hoi, and all the forwards deserve a special pat on the back... the opposition might get the same sort of pat elsewhere on their anatomy.

Ng Wai-man went into several tumbles in a manner that made one want to close their eyes or grit their teeth against the impact and Sing Tao can well do without this sort of thing.

The disillusioned Kitchee officials must once again be shaking their heads, but after last season's experience they should have known that big names do not of necessity make a team. It looks very much as though it has failed again.

Yong Pui-dor did all he could in goal, but apart from Chan Fai-hung—and in a lesser degree Sze-to Yiu—the defence is substituting brawn for brain and not too successfully at that.

Chu Wing-wah and Sze-to Man were as near incompatible in style as any two footballers could be. Kwok Yau was the only live wire and he was little Sze-to Sun did try to keep the forward line moving at a reasonable pace, but much of the effort was wasted as soon as the ball got under the slowing influence of Chu Wing-keung.

VERDICT: Kitchee have nobody but themselves to blame for their defeat. This sort of spiritless form will win no titles. Sing Tao have the spirit and they have veterans who displayed a virility that on this occasion Kitchee's old men could not match. I would like to suggest that there are several sets of bruised limbs, aching muscles and story-telling bones in both camps today. A pity—it was so unnecessary.

The Teams

SING TAO: Tam Nai-huen; Hau Yung-sang, Leung Chung-sum; Chung Man-chi, Chang Kam-hoi, Ng Wai-man; Wong Kwok-kee, Chang Kam-leung, Yeung Wai-to, Lo Kwok-tai, Wong Tak-look.

KITCHEE: Yong Pui-dor; Sze-to Yiu, Tan Kar-sau; Chan Fai-hung, Lee Ping-chui, Chan Chi-kong; Chu Wing-wah; Sze-to Man, Chu Wing-keung, Kwok Yau, Sze-to Sun.

Sports Diary

TODAY

Racing
Second Day of Second Race Meeting at Happy Valley, noon.

Cricket
Cricketing Schoolmasters v KCC (KCC).

Golf
Interport Golf with Singapore at Fanling.

TOMORROW

Meeting
Jockey Club Meeting at Sports Road, 5.45 p.m.

Soccer
1st Division: Club v R.A.F. (Club), Army v Kwong Wah (DS) both matches at 5.30 p.m.

Reserve Division: South China v C.A.A. (CH), K.M.B. v Sun Tse (Navy) both matches at 5.30 p.m.

Golf
Interport Golf with Singapore at Fanling.

Ladies' Silver and Bronze Divisions, Fanling.

ONLY TWO CHAMPIONSHIP QUARTER-FINALISTS IN THE LAST SIXTEEN

By "TOUCHER"

Only two of the quarter-finalists in the recently concluded Colony Open Singles Lawn Bowls Championship, Bob Gourlay and Geoff Leslie, managed to reach the last 16 of the Second Annual Open Singles knockout competition which got under way yesterday.

Eliminated during the three rounds of the competition, played at the Recreio, Kowloon Cricket Club and Kowloon Bowling Green Club greens in morning and afternoon sessions, were T. E. Baker, C. C. Ma, B. Douglass and F. A. Santos. Conspicuous absentees in this year's competition were the Colony Singles Champion, R. F. da Luz, and the runner-up, U. A. Ramjahn.

The biggest casualty in the day's games, however, was C. H. Rossell, last year's Knockout Tournament Champion who, after defeating S. Blechno comfortably by 18-10 in the preliminary round, bowed out to A. A. Lopes by the overwhelming score of 2-17 in the next round.

In yesterday's competition the seven preliminary-round matches produced three extremely close games.

P. W. Quickmire was unlucky to lose to B. Zuiden by 10-17 in a tight finish. After leading by 14-7, he struck a bad patch and Van Zuiden picked up a two, a three and a two on the next three heads. Quickmire came back with two singles to lead by 16-14, only to see his opponent stage a brilliant finish with a three on the next head.

L. A. Rosario put up a creditable display against J. S. Landolt before bowing out by 10-18 after 20 heads. Leading 8-4 by the end of the seventh head, 10-11 by the end of the 14th and 10-15 at the 19th, he faltered on the last head which saw Landolt end the match with a three.

M. J. Divecha scored a good 17-15 win over H. Q. Wong in the third best game in the preliminary round. Wong led 4-4 after the 7th head but Divecha drew even at 11-11 and took a four on the next head to establish a narrow lead up to the end.

Brilliant Bowling

The first round matches were featured by the brilliant bowling of A. A. Lopes, who had last year's champion, C. R. Rossell, well outboxed to win by 17-2 after 14 heads.

Although he eventually lost to H. Holgate by 18-17 after 10 heads, G. J. Jeffries deserved special mention in this game for his great-hearted uphill fight. Trailing behind by 4-15, he rallied with a four, a two, a single, a three and a two on five successive heads to take the lead at 10-15, only to lose a two on the next head.

M. J. Divecha was prominent again in this round with a successful uphill fight against R. A. Silva-Netto, whom he defeated by 17-10 after 14 heads.

Another close game was that between A. Eastman and W. Baker. Eastman was 13-15 down on the 15th head but managed to chalk up a three and a single on the next two heads to win by 17-15.

Second Round

The 16 second round matches saw convincing wins being registered in now fewer than twelve of them.

The closest game in this round was that between E. J. Liddell and M. J. Divecha. Liddell was 13-15 down at the end of the 10th head, but a strong finish by him on the next three heads, which gave him a two, a single and a two, enabled him to win by 18-15.

Former Colony Singles Champion C. C. Pereira was given strong resistance by W. C. Young before winning his match by 18-14 after 16 heads. Leading by 13-11 on the 12th head, he had the game well in hand

It's Going To Be An Interesting League Cricket Season

If we are to judge only by the results of the first three weeks of the season, it's going to be one of the closest and most interesting struggles ever for the Championship of the First Division of the Cricket League.

Army North's victory by 21 runs over the Royal Air Force at Kai Tak has provided a temporary setback to the Airmen and has placed the Indian Recreation Club at the top of the table.

This is how they now stand:

	P. W. D. L. P.
Indian RC	3 2 1 0 9
RAF	2 2 0 0 8
Army South	2 2 0 0 8
Army North	3 2 0 1 8
KCC	3 1 2 0 6
Craigengower	2 1 1 0 5
Royal Navy	2 0 0 2 4
Police	3 1 0 2 4
Recreio	3 1 0 2 4
Scorpions	2 0 0 2 0
Optimists	3 0 0 3 0

So it seems that there are five teams very much in the race for the Championship, with Craigengower, the Optimists and the Scorpions also capable of upsetting the best.

Devastating

With Frank Howarth in a devastating mood at Chater Road on Saturday, the Indians were in a very poor way at one stage. They were 10 for no wicket when a procession started that saw five of them out with only 21 runs on the board.

Frank's five wickets for 52 runs in 10.1 overs was a much better performance than the figures suggest and he was at his trickiest, but an epidemic of dropped catches and missed chances changed the trend of the game. The strong, tricky sunlight, of course, contributed to this and gave J. C. Mahmood his highest score in First Division cricket.

Mahmood's 75 saved the day for the Indians. He was dropped at five and four more times, but his eye for the great hit was very much in and one of his clouts for a six off Frank Howarth in the direction of the Dockyard was one of the longest I have ever seen at Chater Road.

Carl Myatt and A.S. Ramjahn were others who contributed to saving the day for IRC but, as Frank Howarth summed up generously, the Indians' innings wasn't worth more than 70 runs. Less generous estimates placed the figure at 60.

However, the IRC demonstrated again that the worst setbacks do not any longer dampen their spirit.

The Scorpions were set 150 runs to win and Pat Dodge and Ivor Stanton were on their way to setting the groundwork for a

good score when the latter was adjudged leg before to Carl Myatt with the scoreboard showing 26 runs.

Opinion as to whether Stanton was really leg before or just about fifty-fifty, but with one danger man gone the Myatts struck again to dismiss Alec Pearce, Pat Dodge and Harry Owen-Hughes with only two more runs added to the Scorpions' score in as fine an opening bowlers' display as has been seen in a long time.

Ship particularly, and later Frank Howarth and Len White fought hard to salvage a point and it looked like a draw until the fourth ball of the last over when Stanton was caught close to the wicket by A.S. Ramjahn.

"RECORDER"

Mexico Beats Costa Rica In World Cup

Mexico City, Oct. 20. Mexico beat Costa Rica 2-0 today in the Inter-Group play-off to decide the winner of the Central and North American Zone of the World Soccer Cup competition.

A crowd of 30,000 watched the match, played on a heavy pitch. Mexico, winners of Group Two in the zone, scored both goals after the interval. Costa Rica had topped Group One.—Reuters.

At Buenos Aires

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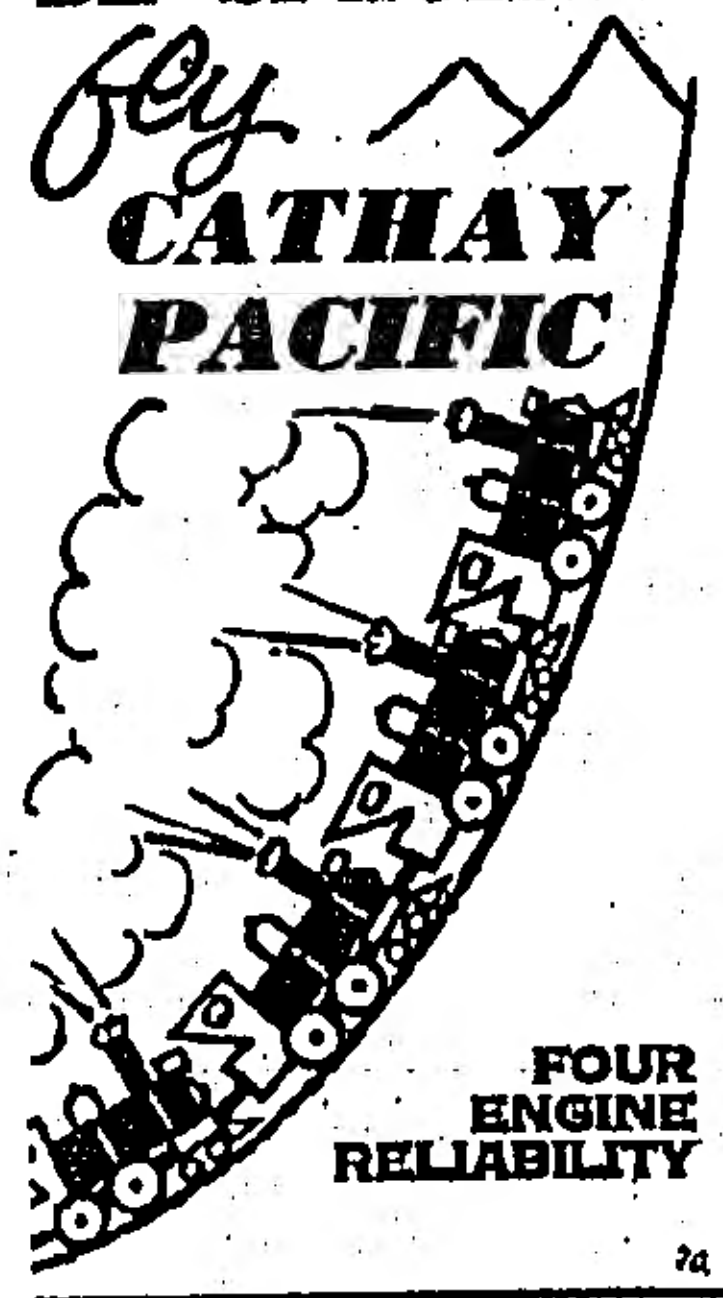
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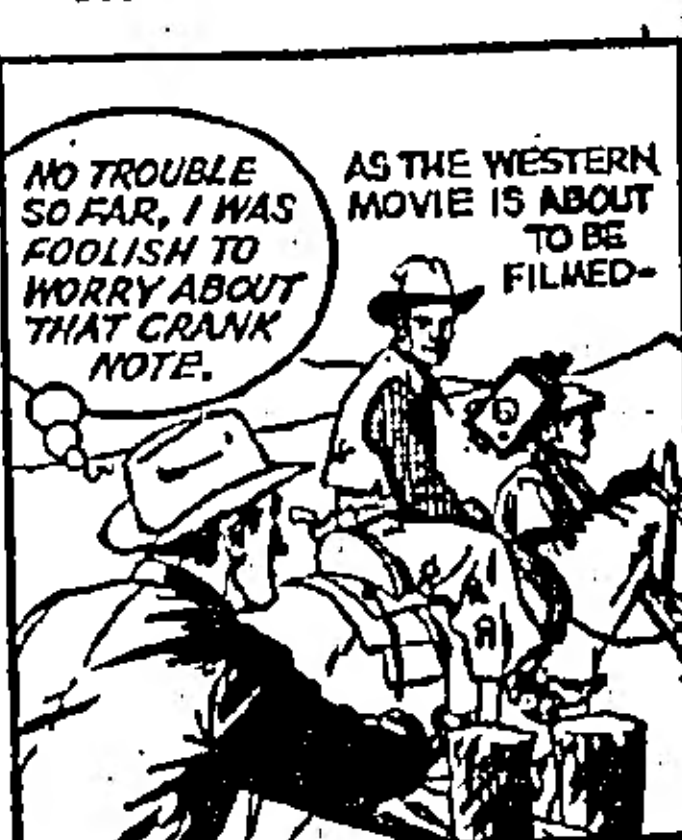
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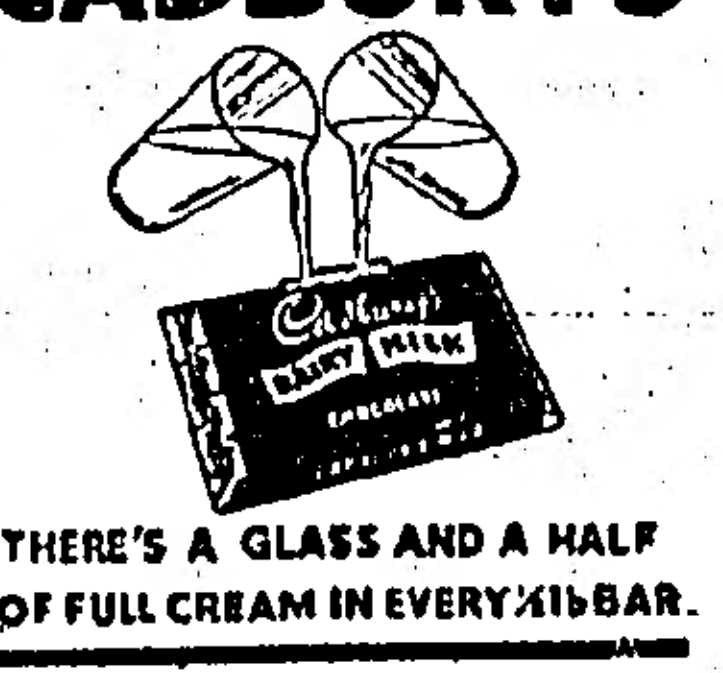


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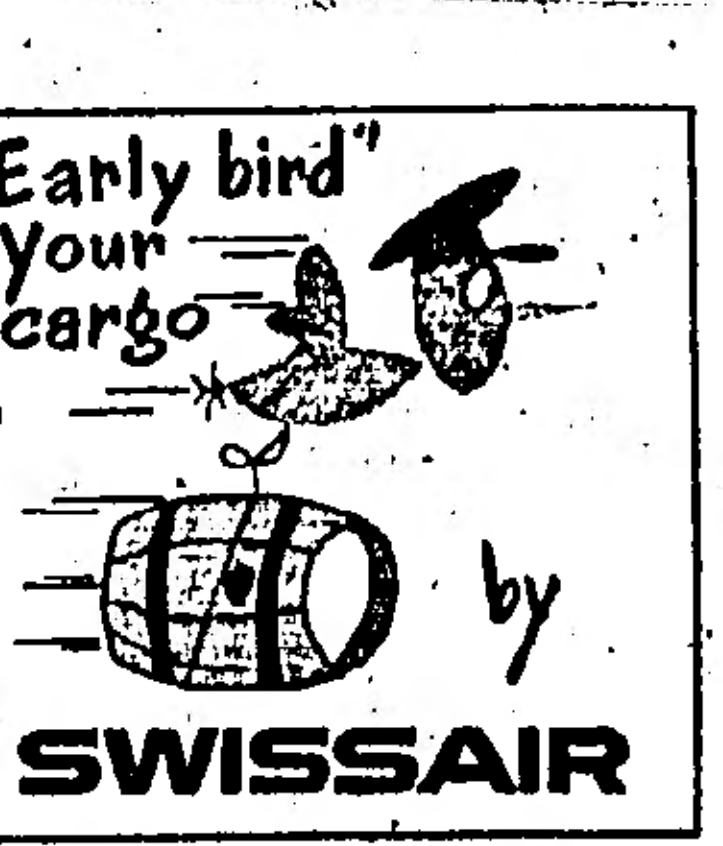


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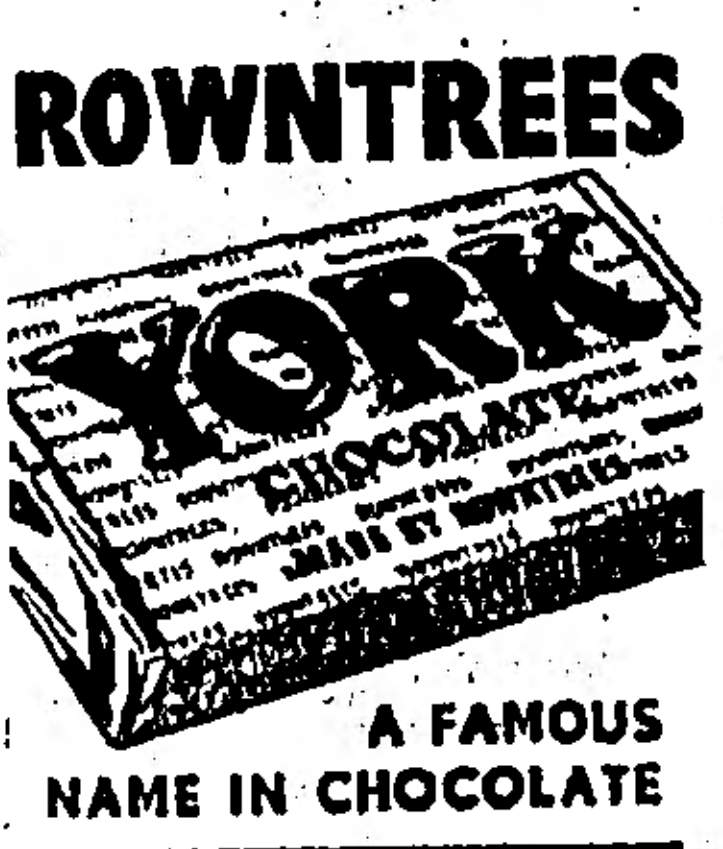


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UP FROM THE DEPTHS CAME A PINK HORROR

I HAVE caught big fish before: the colourful dorados, way down in the trade-wind routes, a thousand miles from anywhere, during my Atlantic crossings. But never have I had a crack at the big game off the coasts—that is, until that stimulating day off the rugged Moroccan shore.

And our catch was auctioned at the fish wharf early the next morning. The first fish I have ever sold.

My fishing party of four consisted of a mysterious bearded Briton, a tall, blond German, a stocky Dane with a fund of hair-raising stories, and myself.

We sailed at dawn. And by sunset I mean in the old-fashioned sense. We hoisted sail after sail as Sea Wanderer added faster and faster—bound for the fishing grounds, with the whole day before us.

A knock-out
The Dane was our expert. I just provided the boat while he provided the know-how and the fishing gear.

And what gear was it? Vast lengths of nylon gut almost thick enough for anchoring the boat. We secured the end of each length to a heavy chromium-plated cylinder about six inches long filled with lead; and each length had three murderous-looking hooks.

There was no bait—on the theory, I suppose, that if the fish do not bite at these objects then at least there is a chance of knocking them out.

We had nine of these lengths. There were no creaming along under full sail—out of Tanager Bay with its mile-long sandy beaches, past the bold Cape Mahabuta with its snow-white lighthouse and into the sparkling blue waters of the Strait of Gibraltar. The sun shone brilliantly, but would not affect the fish. The depths ranging from 50 to 200 ft.

"Ja!" suddenly exploded the Dane. "Here is good. We stop." Four of us lined the side of the boat facing the wind. We

by EDWARD ALLCARD

who has crossed the Atlantic alone four times in small boats, and is now making Tangier a staging point in a four-year, single-handed trip round the world in his 36ft. ketch Sea Wanderer

pleased in our lures and let the nylon run through our hands.

"How about a dollar to the first man who catches a fish?" spoke the bearded Englishman. "Ja," cried out the Dane. "Ja," we all laughed.

No, then yes
My line went slack. I had reached the bottom. I pulled in a few feet, then raised and lowered the line with a sort of throwing motion with my right arm. The three others did the same.

There was time to look around. To the north the Spanish coastline was silhouetted grey, stretching from the narrowest part of the Strait and fading away near Cape Trafalgar. I was thinking of the famous battle when WHANG! and my line was being pulled through my hands.

"I've got a fish," I called out. "Ja! No, no. Secure! You will lose the line!" ordered the Dane. "Confound it! My hooks had caught on the bottom. Suddenly the line freed. I hauled it in. I had caught

nothing more than a lump of seaweed.

Ten minutes later another heavy strain. I pulled in six feet. Still the strain.

"I've got one this time," I cried excitedly.

"Ja," said the Dane. "Steady, steady!"

I went on hauling steadily. The fish was a dead weight. Or had I caught a rock?

"The blood German helped me with a swift jab with the gaff, hooked it over the rail, and there it was safe in the cockpit. I had certainly never heard of a rascasse before, nor indeed had I ever dredged up such an ugly monster from the depths. It was pinky red, long spines stuck out from its back, a huge mouth yawning open, and, yes, inside was another fish. Maybe my lead-weighted lure had fallen right into its mouth creature across the neck.

However it had happened I had caught the first fish and won the dollar.



Several minutes later I caught another rascasse, equally as ugly and bigger than the first.

If I looked across up in the dictionary when I got back and found that its English name is appropriately hogfish.

Then the Dane said "Ja," and it was his turn to pull one in. Later on it was also my luck to catch the first mero (or giant bass). It was three giant bass that we were really after. These fish grow to a length of five to seven feet and a weight of 600 to 800 lb.

The larger specimens have been known to straighten out an iron shark hook.

My strike came as a nibble, and the fish was away with a rush; but I managed to hold him.

The strain eased and I pulled in some bits of line. I had to hold him again as I felt my arm muscles tiring. More line came on my least line later, as I pitted my strength against the fish.

The bearded Briton and the German stood on either side of me ready to help. The Dane called out advice.

When we could see the fish fighting with his tail thrashing, I dragged his head clear of the surface. The Englishman lunged with the gaff behind the gills. "Got him!"

We manhandled the black creature across the deck. "Jolly good," said the Englishman. "Good," said the German.

Alford hauls up his catch. A giant bass? A hogfish? Or just a chunk of weed from the sea-bed?

But the Dane was swearing. He had just lost another fish off his hook. Four giant bass got away from him.

Then my good luck deserted me. I lost two lures, one after the other, as the hooks caught on the bottom.

The sea breeze had sharpened our appetites. Our lures were put away, and out came sandwiches and beer while we swapped fishing stories.

The Dane, putting at a cigarette, told the best one. Ja! He said he had once been fishing at this very same place and they had caught nothing all day. While debating whether to return empty-handed the giant bass started to bite and they hauled in half a ton of fish in almost no time at all.

Lights beckon
After lunch business was less brisk. The wind died with the setting sun. The lighthouse winked and the distant lights of Tangier beckoned.

I started the auxiliary engine. Sea Wanderer with navigation lights burning bright, foamed through the phosphorescent water on her way back to port bearing four tired but happy men.

"Ja," said the Dane. "did I ever tell you about the shark I caught?"

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARY

World's Worst Flood

WINDING its tortuous way across the great flat plains of Northern China is the most uncontrollable river in the world, the Hwang-Ho.

It is one of the two great rivers of China. But, unlike the Yangtze, little of it is navigable. In some places, the water is too shallow; in others, the current is too strong. And as its shifting bed rises, so embankments have to be raised until the river is flowing many feet above the level of the surrounding country.

Stunned, despairing
But from countless other peoples, still marooned, came the pitiful cry of "bread, bread..." Men, women and children sat stunned and despairing, without food or fresh water. Many of them were completely unclothed.

"China's Sorrow"
Sediment carried down from the yellow earth regions has in the Hwang-Ho its name. But to the Chinese people, it is known as "China's Sorrow." "The Unforgivable," "The Scourge of the Sons of Han." For the ugly, muddy river seems to take a malignant pleasure in tormenting the teeming millions who live within the 375,000 square miles it drains.

Time after time, from the earliest days of civilisation, it has burst its banks bringing death and destruction.

Struck again
Altogether, more than a million people lost their lives in this, the world's worst flood. And then when urgent repairs to the embankment were started, the Yellow River struck again.

Two thousand bamboo rafts, laden with stones to create a breakwater, were swept away by the fierce current, and 4,000 coolies were drowned in a few minutes.

Catastrophic
One great flood, in 2,000 B.C., was so vast that early Jesuit missionaries believed it might have been the Deluge of Noah. But even that disaster could not compare with the catastrophic cataclysm of 1937, which reached its peak in October—just seventy years ago.

In earlier years, labourers had worked hard to build great dykes which rose 50 feet high in places. But due to erosion, careless construction and wilful cutting of the dykes to reach fords and ferries, the river broke through at a point west of Kai-Fung Fu.

Walls knocked flat
A torrent of water, a mile wide and forty feet deep, surged over the alluvial plain of Honan Province. Walls surrounding villages were knocked flat. Thousands died in a few minutes.

Screaming peasants climbed trees, houses and stacks, but as the water rose, these supports melted away beneath them. Tearing, desperate crowds fought their way towards high places, which were few and far between.

One vast lake
Fertile country was swept clean by the mighty rush of water and became one vast lake. Every human habitation and all vestiges of former agricultural prosperity in a district half the size of Scotland disappeared in a few days.

Then the evil water spread gradually over the flat lands of Northern Ngunwu and Central Kiangsu. Finally, it turned into smaller rivers.

The Soviet news agency announced tonight that the Soviet earth satellite and its launching rocket are losing speed and approaching the earth.

The agency said the rocket was slowing down at a more rapid rate than the artificial "moon".

The artificial satellite was now making one revolution around the earth every 95 minutes and 55 seconds while the launching rocket was making its revolution in 95 minutes, and 12 seconds.

The rate of the satellite's and the rocket's slowing indicated that they would continue to rotate around the earth for a long time, the agency said.

Tomorrow night, the launching rocket would be 11,250 miles ahead of the satellite in its orbit and would pass 39 minutes before it in its rotation, the agency said. — France-Press.

CIGARETTE MAKING IN HONGKONG

THE smoking habit periodically attracts headlines in the world's press, but the local manufacture of cigarettes continues to flourish. The industry is not one which is well known outside the Colony, probably because most of the output is consumed by local residents who find the cigarettes to their taste—and cheaper than imported brands.

There are a total of five factories locally engaged in this

type of manufacture, three of which employ from 200 to 300 people each and turn out a weekly average of anywhere between 12.5 and 25 million cigarettes.

Leaf tobacco is imported from the United States, Southern Rhodesia, India, Thailand and, occasionally, Turkey and Japan; cigarette paper comes mainly from the United Kingdom, U.S.A., and France; aluminium foil from the United Kingdom, Canada, Germany and Holland; card and packet paper from the United Kingdom and tobacco casings, extracts, and flavourings, if required, from the

United Kingdom, U.S.A., West Germany and Holland.

On their arrival in the Colony, hogsheads of leaf tobacco are stored in bonded godowns—tobacco being one of the very few commodities on which import duty is charged.

Processing
Once delivered to the factories, the tobacco is unpacked ready for processing in accordance with the formulae for grade and type, which vary between factories.

When unpacked, the leaves are brittle and must be passed through a softening machine before they can be handled by the female employees in the stemming department, who strip the hard, leathery stems from the softened leaf.

After flavourings have been added and the tobacco dried, sorters examine it for quality, before passing it on for a thorough mixing. It is then put into special high-speed machines where the leaves are cut into fine strips.

During these processes the tobacco absorbs a large moisture content and it is therefore necessary to feed the cut leaves into a rotary drying cylinder, whence a conveyor carries them to a rotary cooling machine.

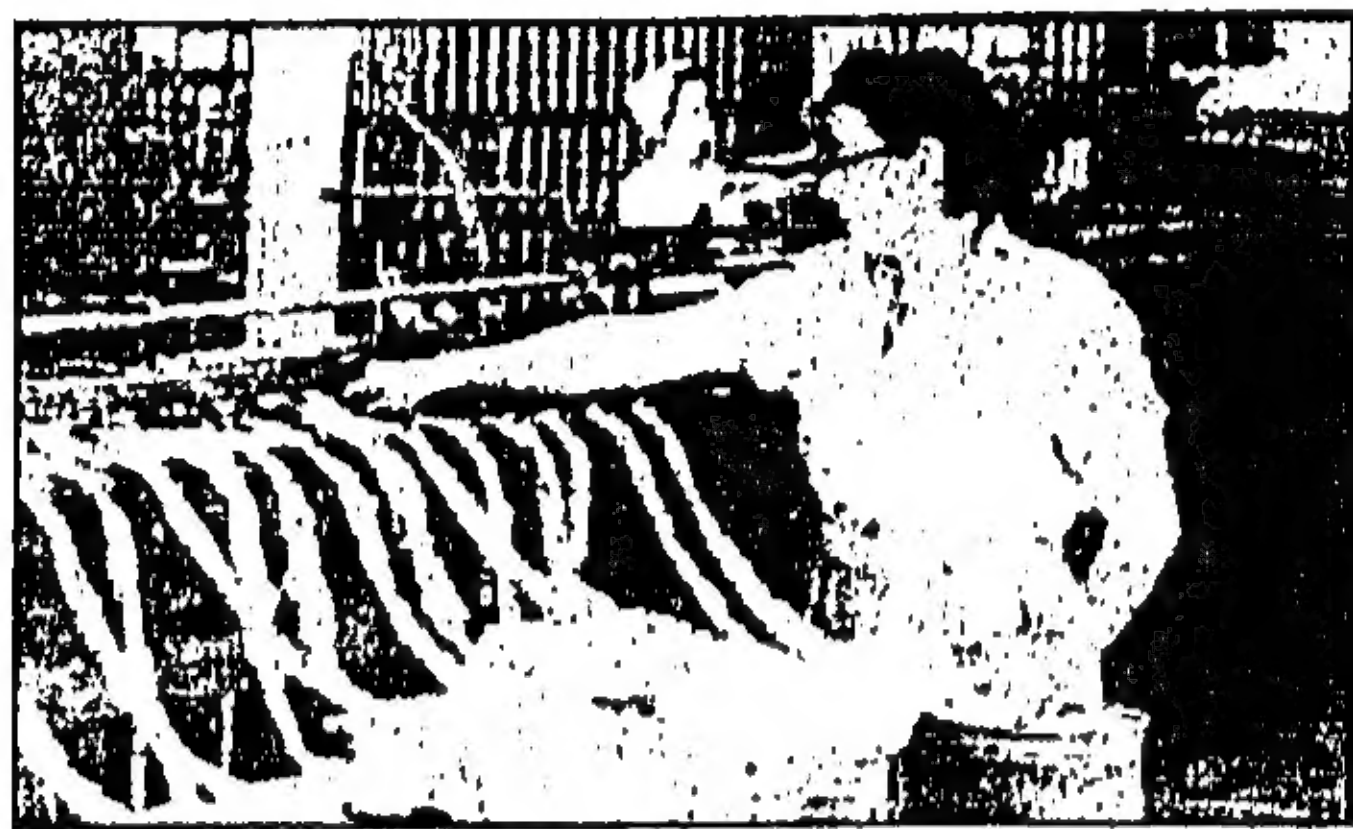
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SCIENCE AND
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Cotton Question

PROBLEMS IN
TEXTILES:
A REPORT

MICHAEL FINLEY



A woman worker in the mill's spinning department.

When the flow of Egyptian cotton to Lancashire's mills began to dwindle about five years ago, to cease finally in 1956, it marked the end of an era. For almost two centuries the hands and eyes of the skilled craftsmen in the North of England cotton mills had become accustomed to its special texture.

In its place they had to handle an increasing variety of cotton from Mexico, Nigeria and Senegal, as well as the fine Sudan cottons, each with its own peculiarities and manufacturing performance. In addition, increasing numbers of new synthetics made their appearance, sometimes to be used alone, often to be combined with cotton.

Problems

It became obvious that hand and eye, hitherto the sole arbiters of quality and potential, must give way to machine and microscope.

Research and consistent testing were the only means of solving the problems presented both by the natural yarns and the man-made fibres and in order to do this, Combined English Mills (Spinners) Ltd, formerly Combined Egyptian Mills Ltd, set up a pilot plant at Hayley Mill, in Bolton, in the English county of Lancashire.

Today the Bayley Mill Company's research department deals yearly with some 3,000 of these problems—mostly from the groups many overseas customers in Denmark, Holland, Sweden, Finland, Germany, Australia and New Zealand, although enquiries reach them from other parts of the world.

It was to find out what these are and how the experts answer them that I visited Bayley Mill recently.

Objects

I found that the mill and the laboratory together have five main objects:

- Fibre evaluation. This is confined to cottons because the man-made fibres are, by definition, of a controlled standard.
- Evaluation of spinning properties. In short, finding out just what you can and cannot do with a fibre.
- Promotion of the newer fibres. The plain job of selling to the manufacturers the practical possibilities.
- Service to customers, and this increases yearly.
- Quality control. The routine checking of the products of the group's 30 mills.

Synthetics

My guide was George Shorrocks, 27-year-old developments officer, to whom this is an expanding industry with a future. Synthetics have made it so and it was to these that we turned first.

He showed me the mill-in-miniature where the synthetic fibres are spun into yarn, or blended, with cotton or with each other. Constantly varying permutations in a never-ending search for the perfect fabric.

We saw Triel, and cotton mixed for pleated skirts, Acrilan for jumpers. These were two experiments for a Danish customer. A firm in Holland wanted to try Terylene and cotton for skirts and shirts and Australian weavers were trying out Triel and cotton for skirts and Acrilan and Orlon for hosiery.

Then we came to the hub of the plant—the laboratory. It was a surprise to find that the scientists at Bayley Mill are

five attractive young women in dazzlingly white overalls.

In charge is Miss Laura Clapperton, a dedicated woman with a tradition of cotton-spinning behind her. Her brother is general manager of the mill.

She showed me the instruments that are superseding the old craftsman's natural faculties.

From Switzerland comes the stapler that plucks the strands of fibre and electronically registers the effective length in graph form; the Microaire, from America, shows the fineness by blasting pressurised air through a 30-grain tuft (weighed to a milligram by the Avery Shadowweight).

Thread Test

From Switzerland, too, comes the Oster single-thread tester, a complex machine that gradually strains the thread to breaking point registering strength and tensile as graphs on rotating cylinders and double-checking on strength by means of a histogram—a silver ball, like a cake decoration, drops into the appropriate groove each time the thread snaps.

The straighter the graph, the more concentrated the distribution of silver balls, the more uniform the thread and the better it will stand up to processing.

By its side is a simple knitting machine so that yarn can be made up, albeit very roughly, into cloth.

There is an ultra-violet lamp which shows up clearly "bars" in the cloth. This baring, which results in uneven dyeing, is one of the manufacturers' commonest problems and the usual reaction is to blame the spinner.

But the fault may lie in one of the many subsequent processes as Bayley Mill's young scientists were able to show in a recent case.

A German manufacturer complained of bars and questioned the quality of the yarn. At Bayley Mill the cloth was reduced to yarn and thoroughly tested. It was flawless. The cause was finally traced to an accident in doubling.

This was being done by the wet process and the baring was developing in the trough where a suspension was forming and attaching to the yarn.

Complaint

A similar complaint from a German umbrella maker was analysed as loose weaving.

A great part of the mill's service comes in analysing and matching cloth samples sent in by customers.

These samples may be only tiny scraps placed to a covering letter but the girls in the laboratory will analyse it and pass the information on to George Shorrocks who will have the cloth reproduced in the pilot plant.

The customer can have a few spoons, a few pounds to make up a single length, a larger quantity to make a market trial or a full commercial order.

US GETS THE JITTERS
MIDDLE EAST WAR SCARE
SPARKS A SLUMP
IN AMERICAN BUSINESSNew York, Oct. 20.
Economic research is playing a vital role in US corporate planning today.

American firms are spending an estimated half a billion dollars a year to keep abreast of trends in politics, purchasing power, and trade and fiscal policies around the world.

All of these factors are essential parts of the economic picture that firms must put together if they hope to succeed in business.

What is the market for hair cream in Africa? Would construction of a fire plant in Europe be profitable? How are currency conditions in Latin America?

These are only a few of the questions which economic research firms are called upon to answer every day. Their findings will help mould a company's decision.

RAMIFICATIONS

Geoffrey Browne, head of the Economist Intelligence Unit, said economic studies "provide not only knowledge of opportunities to be had, but also should be avoided, political activities that could affect business, government buying and all other ramifications of interest to those involved in world marketing."

He said that his sales targets grow consistently larger both in the U.S. and abroad, "more and more companies are seeking a research-sharpened eye at their prospective market areas."

—A PRELUDE

"Research is a prelude to entering new markets, or introducing new products in old markets."

When a U.S. firm, for instance, wants to expand overseas, it is faced with the choice: Export its product, because a foreign firm to make it, or build a factory abroad.

Deciding which of these three moves is the best is the job of the economic researcher. E.I.U., with headquarters in London, has a list of clients which reads like a who's who of American and foreign industry. Even governments are placing greater reliance on private research reports.

THE FIRMS

Major U.S. firms engaged in the business include Dun & Bradstreet, Standard and Poors, Prentice-Hall, International Statistical Bureau, and United Business Service.

Special studies are only part of the business. These firms also put out weekly, monthly and quarterly reports which enable the harassed businessman to keep up on major economic trends affecting his company.

E.I.U., a unit of the international famous economic magazine, for instance, turns out 54 quarterly reports, covering business conditions in more than 100 countries. Hundreds of U.S. firms are subscribers to this service.

TAILOR-MADE

Economic studies tailor-made to meet the specific requirements of one company are the biggest profit makers for these firms. These studies can cost many thousands of dollars. But they're worth it to companies which are prepared to gamble many millions of dollars on a new product or a new plant.

Browne said E.I.U. has been asked to furnish the answer to such things as the surplus market for airplanes in Latin America and the competition for two-wheel bikes in British Somaliland.—United Press.

EGYPT LIFTS
BAN ON CARS

Cairo, Oct. 20.

The Egyptian Commerce Ministry today lifted a ban on imports of small automobiles on condition they are paid for in exchange deals for ground nuts, flowers, and vegetables.

The import ban on all cars was imposed in March, 1955 due to the country's hard currency shortage.

The new conditions were not expected to ease the imports of western automobiles.—United Press.

GATT MEETS
AGAIN
IN GENEVA

Geneva, Oct. 20.

The 36 contracting parties of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade met again last Saturday to get routine matters cleared away before tackling the complex question of how the European common market will fit in with the 10-year-old tariff and trade liberalisation accords.

Saturday's agenda consisted of annual reports on longstanding waivers which allow various countries to maintain certain trade restrictions or practices which run counter to basic GATT's free-trade principles.

An annual Secretariat report on GATT's "training programme" was also on the list. Under this programme, young economists and accountants from less developed countries are sent to spend several months working in trade ministries or national banks or studying at specialised schools to learn modern ways of administering trade and financial affairs.

Switzerland

The closed meeting was also expected to consider Switzerland's application for provisional membership, which was tentatively approved last year.

A spokesman said the GATT members would continue clearing the agenda of annual reports and other relatively routine matters throughout the next week.

On Monday, October 28, they will go into special session for a meeting of trade ministers or equivalent high officials from all member countries for a general exchange of views on the international trade situation.

Most of the remainder of the six-week meeting will then discuss the common market.—United Press.

Bank Of England
Statement

London, Oct. 20.

The Bank of England statement for the week ended October 18, reads as follows:

Notes in circulation, sterling: 1,899,728,345; Public deposits: 11,590,598; Private deposits: 313,993,403; Government securities: 270,516,483; Other securities: 39,339,403; Receipts: 33,093,146; Ratios 10:1.—United Press.

Bank Of France
Statement

Paris, Oct. 20.

The Bank of France statement for the week ended October 18, reads as follows:

Total gold holdings, francs: 201,204,303,420; Total other currencies: 11,001,318,017; Sight balances abroad: 1,771,000,000; Advances to Stabilisation Fund: 1,971,027,507,224; Bank notes in circulation: 3,285,837,509,248; Current accounts: 3,011,411,411,411; Deposits: 349,370,515,800.—United Press.

The Middle East war scare over Syria-Turkey as well as other international and domestic uncertainties—"Sputnik," scattered layoffs, lagging production, a slumping stock market—combined to give American business altogether a case of the "jitters" last week.

Domestic and international news was not good last week. The exchange of warnings between Russia and the United States over Syria and Turkey helped to offset the three-day rise of stock prices carried over from Friday the previous week through the Monday and Tuesday sessions.

As of mid-session on Thursday, prices weakened further to new lows dating back to March 21, 1956, with all sections of the market joining in the decline.

Domestic

On the domestic side, there were these depressing developments:

Personal income as of September—latest figures available—declined for the first time this year, off \$300,000,000 from the August pace.

Industrial production dropped during the same month for the first time since last April. This was the first time this year that the production index (144, based on 1947-49 average) failed to gain over the corresponding month of the last several years. Laborer production, coal mining, steel production, metal mining, production of factory machinery—considered basic barometers—all declined.

Steel Profits

Although many expect steel profits to be fairly steady this year, there has been disappointment with the slowness of the auto companies—which account for the 23 per cent of steel output—to place orders. Housing construction is still some 10 per cent short from last year, dating back to 1949 levels.

Another factor serving to depress business sentiment was

New York, Oct. 20.

What's happened is that people laid off in manufacturing are being picked up elsewhere such as in wholesale, retail, attesting further to the higher level of consumer spending.

But even here there is a dark cloud. Retail sales, although now at record levels, appear to be leveling off. This has been due to a number of causes, mainly a reduction in the work week, layoffs in the auto, television and other industries, a decline in factory payrolls.

Retail Sales

Retail sales over the past month were not booming, although they were still slightly above the levels of last year. However, at this year's inflated prices, retail sales, in effect appear to reflect a drop in physical volume.

Many retailers are banking on a good Christmas season this year. With consumer income still at high albeit reduced levels, consumers are giving no indication of withdrawing from the main cut despite a four per cent rise in prices over last year.

The largest element of uncertainties appears to be in the auto industry. With 158 models still to hit showrooms in volume, industry spokesmen still talk confidently of their ability to sell off their 1957 models.

Stocks have been reduced somewhat over recent weeks. But the big fear is: Assuming that the 1958 models move at a good clip, what effect will it have on sales of 1957? Some think the market may become somewhat over-saturated by that time. They insist that the industry's cautious steel buying policy reflects in part the industry's fears over next year.

Output

Further reduced spending for inventories and plant expansion appears to be depressing output of raw materials to three-year lows. Outlays for new plants and equipment are now off by about \$400 million, in sharp contrast to the upward trend of the post-war period.

Except for 1949 to 1954, each year has been above the preceding year. During 1957 the advance has been much more gradual, and dollar totals have been inflated to a large extent by rising costs of construction and materials.

Reflecting the general pinch in manufacturing, the number of those working in this segment declined another 53,000 last month to 16,917,000 or 202,000 under last year's total.

The number of those having jobs, however, has jumped nearly 250,000 to 33,167,000, a record high for any September in history.

A Bad Week For
London Markets

London, Oct. 20.

London markets had a bad week, thanks to the Syrian-Turkey developments in the Middle East and world-wide pressure against sterling.

There was a little recovery on Friday, due to professional bar covering, but it can be ignored in studying the picture.

The industrial average closed on Thursday at 160.5, the lowest since November 30 of last year. The entire recovery achieved in 1957 from the heavy declines of 1956 has now been wiped out.

Sharp Falls

If we take a shorter period than 1957's ten months and notice the sharp falls dating from the per cent bank rate, on September 18, we get some shocks. We find British Petroleum down 31/-, and Shell Transport down 14/-.

But taking the week by itself we find highly promising investments which were already ready cheap—getting cheaper. Among the few exceptions were those favourites which had been heavily sold short in anticipation of a recession and which had to be bought; this professional short-covering lifted Unilever 2/- last week and Rolls Royce 2/6.

In general, falls in the week ranged between 1 and 2 shillings.

British Governments, on the week mostly lost 2 1/2% or 2 3/4%.

Other Losses

Among foreign bonds Japanese were heavily sold, especially the well-known 1950s whose market value fell 2 1/2% and whose interest fell 2 1/2% and the 1957s whose non-assented dropped 2 1/2% and the assented 2 1/2%.

Other losses ranged from 2 1/2% down to 2 1/4%. Chinese stocks also suffered, selling with the 1950s down 2 1/2% and the 1957s down 2 1/4%. Germans were

quiet but the Dow Jones non-assented rose 2 1/2 and that of the Young Loan fell 2 1/2. The premium for dollar stocks eased 1/4 to 3 1/4 per cent.—United Press.

Lancashire
Mills May
Be Closed

London, Oct. 20.

Some of Britain's Lancashire spinning mills may have to shut down unless more workers are hired to weave the yarn which the spinners produce, a union leader said today.

The warning was sounded in a report by Sir Alfred Roberts, General Secretary of the Card Room Workers Amalgamation, one of the country's three big cotton unions.

Roberts said that while the latest figures for the spinning industry showed a slight increase in the number of mill weaving manpower is declining.

"If this trend continues we shall soon have an unbalanced industry with the weaving section unable to absorb yarn production," he said.—United Press.

NAMESAKES

Answers:—1 Trouble, 2 Entertainment, 3 Ben, 4 Series, 5 Dialogue, 6 America, 7 Crooner, 8 Microphone, 9 Theatre, 10 Television, 11 Joris. —Babe Daniels.

Eleven-Year
Low In
US Cotton
Market

New York, Oct. 20.

Another fractional price dip in cotton grey goods last week proved enough to send the market to an 11-year low.

The basic-60-square four-yard print sold down to 17 1/4 cents a yard for spot goods, off 1/4 to 3/8 cent from a week ago. It was the lowest price since 1946.

Sales down to 17 1/4 cents a yard awaited confirmation, but brokers were "quite sure quiet deals" had passed at the lower figure.

Importance of the 60-square as a market bellwether is measured by the fact that it accounts for about 20 per cent of the total annual production of 4,000,000,000 yards of all print cloth yarn fabrics.

SLOW SLIDE

Broadcloth, sheetings, osenaburrs and cutting fabrics usually hear the bellwether and follow.

Prices have been on a slow slide for the past six months. Measuring extent of the decline another way: On the buying boom started with the outbreak of Korean fighting, the market leader soared to 28 1/2 cents a yard.

The drop of 8 1/4 cents a yard since then has stupored most market analysts, as they kept in mind the higher wages obtained by mill workers in the interim and the inflationary forces at play elsewhere in the national economy.

VACATION

Moreover, mills have been gradually cutting back on production, hoping to lighten up on the supply. Some print weavers now are talking about taking an extra autumn vacation, or operating looms only four days a week.

Tight money and the stock market decline are first-cited reasons to explain buyer wariness over the past months, but millmen also coupled hesitancy with the spotty development of new business in finished goods.

WEATHER

Unseasonable weather has intruded with apparel sales to some extent. Cutters and piece goods buyers, keeping all the time in mind, have navigated close to short looking for a better view of the general business picture.

Part of the confidence stemmed from expectations that manufacturers of coating materials will be back in the market to cover November-December automobile requirements.

Sales yarn spinners used the terms "still quiet" and "nothing doing at the moment" to describe the market situation.—United Press.

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